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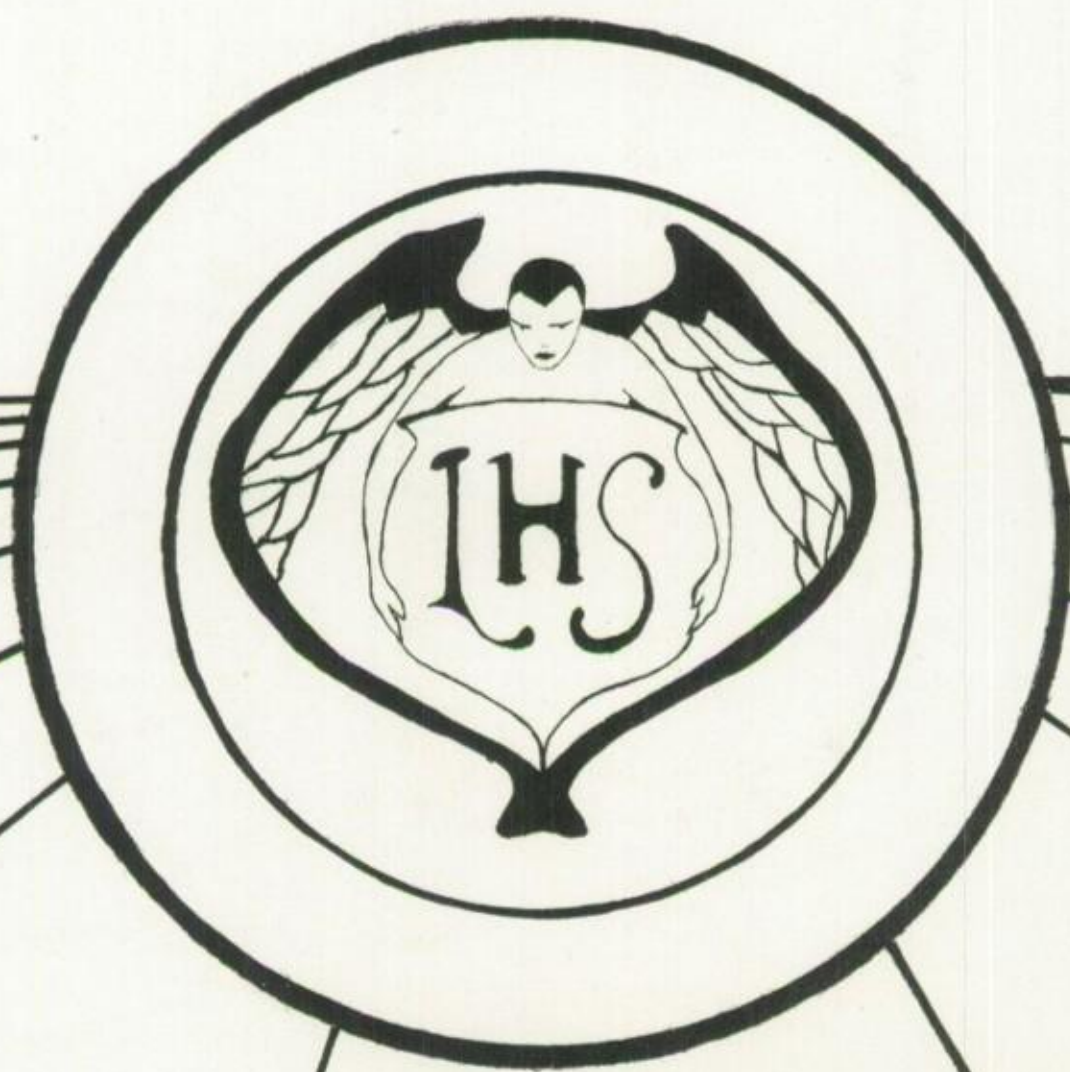
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STUDENTS and teachers are pleased that Mr. Axlerod stepped through the door, opened in welcome, to become the fourth principal of

Lafayette High School
Buffalo 13, New York

the
Lafayette



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Oracle



LESTER GLASSNER

1956 Yearbook

Foreword

OVER the years, the doors of Lafayette High School have swung open in welcome to many students. In September 1955 this door of welcome stood open also to greet its new principal. Did he experience a feeling of doubt and hesitancy, as we did as freshmen? Now in June 1956 we hope he, too, knows the wealth of friendship and the opportunities that make Lafayette beloved.

The 1956 edition of THE ORACLE attempts to portray the life of the past year beyond the great oak door which swings open in welcome. The members of the ORACLE staff invite all to join in recollection.



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Memories Cluster about Thy Bright Halls



MR. HAYES and Mr. Axlerod stand among the flowers sent to congratulate them as newly appointed assistant principal and principal of Lafayette High School. Mr. Axlerod was transferred from Kensington where he was assistant principal; Mr. Hayes from the same position at School 87. These men worked together happily during the year 1953-1954 when both were assistant principals at Kensington. Students and teachers are happy that Mr. Axlerod and Mr. Hayes have come with their enthusiasm and their ideas to be leaders of this school. Lafayette has a noble past; under their direction we anticipate a great future.





Alma Mater Song

LAFAYETTE, our dear
old Alma Mater,
We gather here to sing
thy praise;
Our hearts are filled
with true devotion,
Gaining strength as few-
er grow our days.
Thy sons to thee are
ever loyal,
Linked by bonds of white
and violet,
And now we raise out
hearts and voices,
In praise of Lafayette.



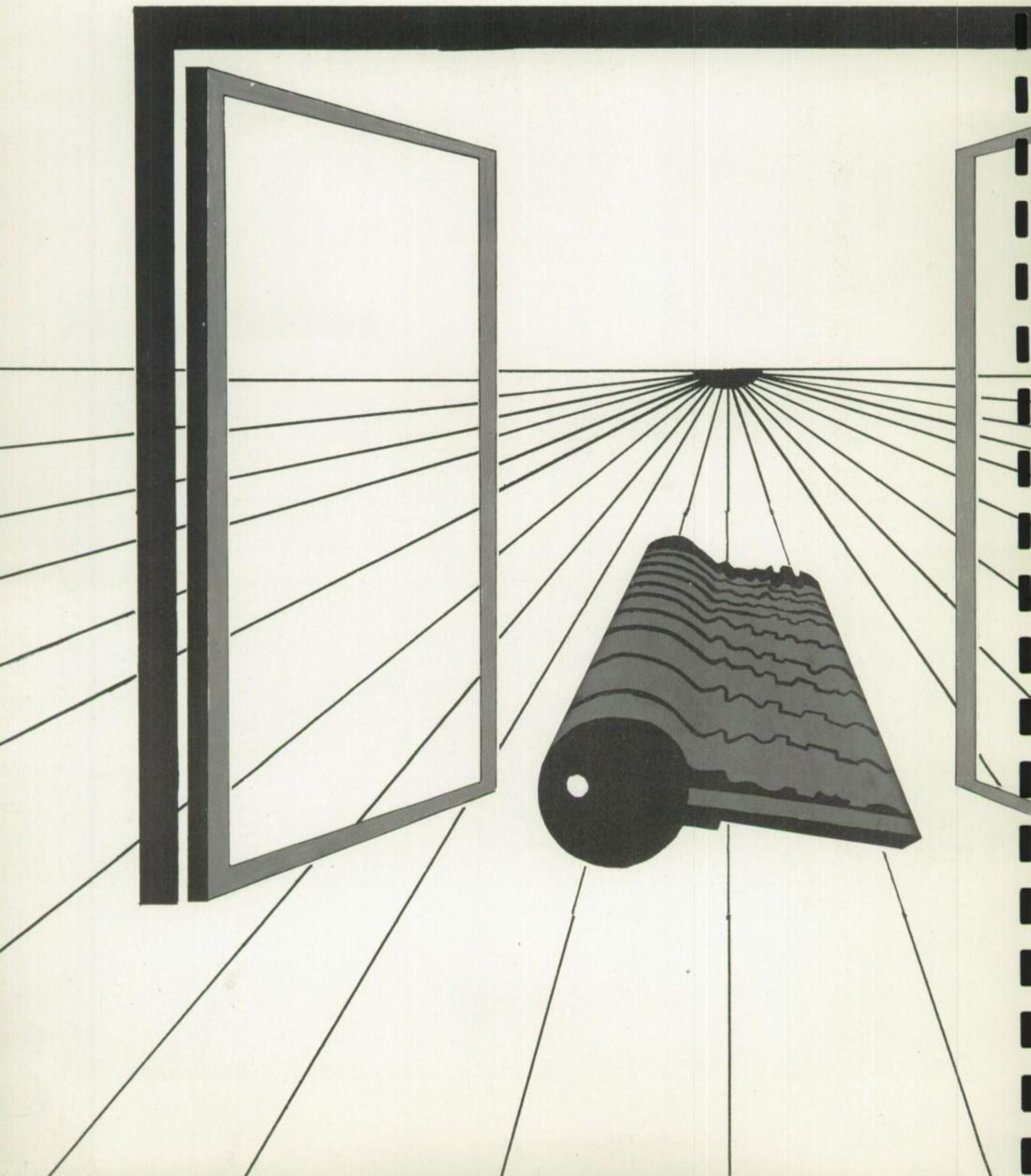
SINCE 1903 students have passed through Lafayette's massive front door, to enjoy the feeling of welcome and to experience the opportunities of a great city high school. Under Mr. Detmers, Captain Mellen, and from 1934 to 1955 under Mr. Gott, they learned to "be strong and of a good courage."

This fall Lafayette welcomed Mr. Axlerod and Mr. Hayes. They have followed the school's traditions, yet have offered new opportunities.

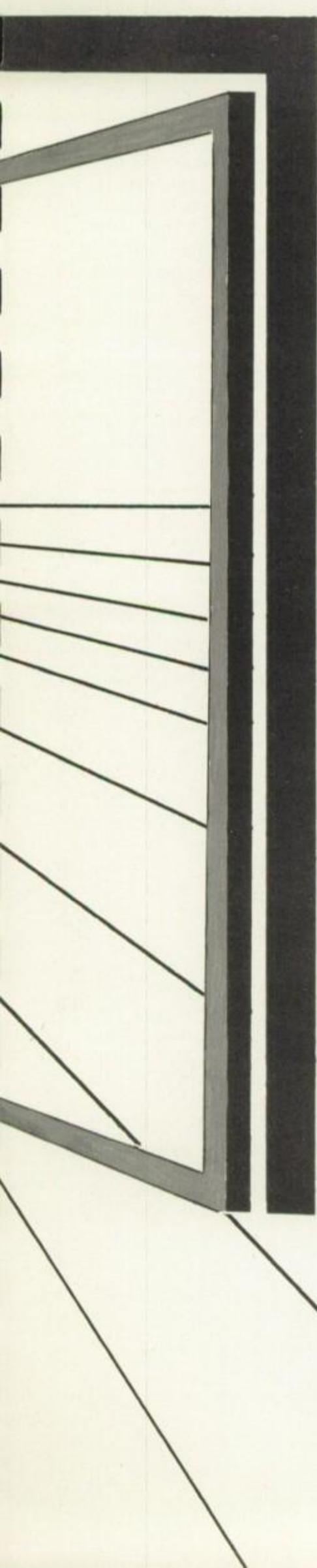
Students, as of old, look out at the Lafayette Tower, made strong again this fall, or through the auditorium door to see who is practicing what or to wonder what pleasant assembly program they will witness. They look into the office, that bulged with welcoming flowers this fall, sure that Mr. Axlerod will talk with them.

Through Lafayette's massive door, students enter an enriched life. Never will their hearts forget that the great oak door will always open to welcome them.





Faculty



LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL has been the great door, opened to all in their journey toward knowledge. Teachers have helped constantly to unlock lesser doors that will lead to the ultimate goal. When students stumbled into laziness, teachers inspired them to bear climbing the steps ahead. Through their teachers' understanding, leadership and wisdom, students gain the key to open all doors, a diploma.

DIANNE LOSI



FATE has brought Lafayette students a new and trusted friend in the person of their new principal. Recalling school days, students will immediately remember Mr. Axlerod's quiet friendliness. His belief that boys and girls should share the bad as well as the good at Lafayette has increased their sense of responsibility, and his appreciation of their effort has inspired many to work harder. Certainly Mr. Axlerod has made the long hard climb to the door of graduation pleasant and fruitful.

Mr. Abraham Axlerod

Principal

MESSAGE TO THE SENIORS

FOR more than fifty years the doors of Lafayette High School have swung open to welcome thousands of boys and girls of this community, and just as regularly the doors have opened to permit many thousands of young men and women to leave these hallowed halls to take a prominent place in the life of the city.

If the portals of our school could but talk--what a tale of opportunity seized they would tell. There is not a profession--medicine, dentistry, law, teaching, engineering, or the ministry which has not been enriched by the presence of a Lafayette graduate. There is no mercantile establishment, no political party, cultural or philanthropic program in this community which has not felt the presence of a Lafayette alumnus to its own advantage.

It is difficult to describe the thrill I felt when I first entered this venerable school and the feeling of awe which came over me as I realized that upon my shoulders had

been thrust the responsibilities which had been those of Mr. Arthur Detmers, Captain Mellen, and Mr. Frank Gott. These men faithfully kept open the doors of welcome and opportunity for more than half a century. They and their loyal staff have given to Buffalo and, indeed, to the nation, a contribution so valuable as to be unmeasurable by any standards. I shall strive with what strength and ability God has given me to be worthy of the great trust which has been placed on me to keep open the doors of welcome and opportunity to all the young men and women who want an education and appreciate its importance.

Abraham Axlerod

MR. HAYES, our new assistant principal, has contributed greatly to the terrific surge of school spirit now evident in all student activities. Students have found in him a never ending source of new ideas and enthusiasm. He helped to make football games, the Christmas program, the Sweetheart Swing Dance, and the Variety Show memorable occasions. His faith in students and his desire to help them find their place in our school have made him a dear friend of all who know him.

Mr. J. Norman Hayes

Assistant Principal



MESSAGE TO THE SENIORS

YOU, the Class of 1956, could not have made a happier choice for your yearbook theme than "The Open Door." In all ages, the open door has signified warmth, friendliness and mutual trust, and you must always remember that your own courtesy and consideration for others are twin keys that will open every door, however securely locked it may be. Remember, too, that co-operation is civilization at its very finest and that the open door implies not only your right to enter but even more so your responsibility to respect the rights of those who live across the threshold.

For you, commencement means opening the door into

a wonderful land of opportunity in a country dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. This equality is not one of intelligence, physical stature, wealth or ability, but of equal opportunity for all and the equal moral value of all. Remember that success is not your right, but only the opportunity for it. Good luck and God bless you and many thanks for making my own freshman year at Lafayette such a pleasant one.

J. Norman Hayes

*In Promotion
Ass't Pres. 1/28/57*

They Made Students Want to Learn

WE welcome Mr. Rentz, a former history teacher at Riverside, who has shown a never ending interest in Lafayette students. In addition to his duties as Boys' Counselor, he has organized Friday night classes in various subjects, helped lessen the disciplinary problems in the cafeteria by organizing a group of cafeteria monitors, and acted as faculty adviser of the Student Council.



MRS. HELEN ALBRIGHT
Homemaking



MRS. CATHERINE BAKER
Physical Education



MR. MATTHEW BARANSKI
Art

LEFT (Jan)



MISS EDNA BERWALD
Commercial

yes



MRS. HELEN BRENNAN
Cafeteria Manager

yes



MR. VINCENT CARUANA
Industrial Arts

yes (Jan)



MISS MARIAN L. CLARK
German and Latin

yes



MISS MARGARET COONLY
English and Latin

yes



MR. JOSEPH CORCORAN
Commercial



MISS DOROTHY CROLL
English

yes



MISS MARGARET DORAN
Mathematics

yes



MISS MARY DOUGHERTY
Commercial

yes



MISS PHYLLIS GILRAY
Citizenship Education



MISS CORINNE HARTZELL
English

(Jan)



MRS. ELLA HAWKINS
Library

yes



MISS HELEN HEDDEN
Citizenship Education

yes

They Opened The Door to Knowledge

WE are pleased to have added to the faculty a coloratura soprano and violinist in the person of Mrs. Williams, formerly at Kenmore Elementary and Junior High Schools. The students have caught her enthusiasm for a variety of musical activities.

We are flattered that Mr. Murphy left industry to enter teaching. It is good to have him in Lafayette's history department.



MISS THERESA HERTKORN
Nurse

yes



MISS HELEN HOWELL
English and Spanish

yes



MISS MARGUERITE IULG
Science



MR. ROBERT JOHNSTON
Commercial

yes



MRS. KATHERINE KNOLL
Commercial

yes



MISS ESTHER LINK
English

LEFT



MISS NORMA MacKENZIE
Science

yes



MRS. IRENE MARQUIS
Physical Education

yes



MISS ERNESTINE McDONALD
Mathematics

yes



MR. EDWARD McNAMARA
Commercial

LEFT



MISS MABEL MERLE
Citizenship Education



MR. GRAYDEN MONROE
Science

yes

MR. GEORGE STIEGLER teaches related work to driving to students at Lafayette and four other Buffalo high schools. He came from North Collins where he taught mechanical drawing and driver education.



MR. FRED MURPHY
Citizenship Education



MISS MARY LOUISE NICE
Guidance Counselor



MISS FRANCIS PITT
Citizenship Education



MISS MARGARET RAINS
Secretary



MISS KATHERINE REIF
Administrative Assistant



MR. ROBERT RENTZ
Guidance Counselor



MISS HELEN RIEGEL
Physical Education



MR. GILBERT ROGERS
Swimming



MR. ALVIN RUTSTEIN
Science



MR. JEROME SCHERER
Mathematics



MISS MABEL SCHULZ
Secretary



MISS MARIE SHROEDER
Commercial



MISS JULIA STALL
Citizenship Education



MR. EJNAR SVENSSON
Mechanical Drawing



MISS FLORENCE TEHAN
English



MR. WILBUR UNGER
Science



MISS ALBERTA WANENMACHER
Mathematics



MISS MARIE WECHTER
English

MISS ELSA DINSMORE and Miss Stella Quatlander spend one day a week at Lafayette, helping students in speech and sight saving groups. They have dens on the fourth floor.

UNFORTUNATELY we lack pictures of Miss Eleanor Dushane, French and Citizenship Education; Miss Margaret Dushane, English; Mr. Sylvester Kolassa, Industrial Arts; Miss Edith Rogers, Home-making; Mr. Clyde Slate, Art. Many students will remember happily their associations with these teachers.



MR. ARTHUR WHALLEY
Physical Education



MRS. MARIAN WILLIAMS
Music
LEFT



MR. THOMAS WOODS
Physical Education
yes

Ties Will Keep Us Loyal and Devoted

MR. GOTT'S retirement as principal and Mr. Kelly's transfer to be assistant principal at Kensington High School made us know the sorrow of parting. Loyalty, honor, and service came alive in these men. We are overjoyed when Mr. Gott visits us; his picture is a constant reminder of his high standards for Lafayette and, we know, his lasting interest in us. We wish Mr. Kelly a pleasant life at Kensington; we hope that he will remember as happily as we do his four years at Lafayette.

We seldom see these two men who gave so much to Lafayette but they are close to the hearts and minds of us whom they served.

We regret their going. We miss Mr. Henry Jocoy whom we consulted often about the music for special assemblies or complimented for the singing of his choruses. Mr. Jocoy was transferred after 35 years as musical director at Lafayette. Miss Marjorie Williams, former social studies teacher, writes that she remains interested in Lafayette but enjoys her present leisurely life in Hanover, New Hampshire. Mr. Carmen Catuzzi, boys' counselor until last June, helped many Lafayette boys with college plans. He is now teaching at West Seneca High School. Miss Mildred Kain was assigned to teach French at Grover Cleveland. Mrs. James Huntley is teaching English at Kensington High School.

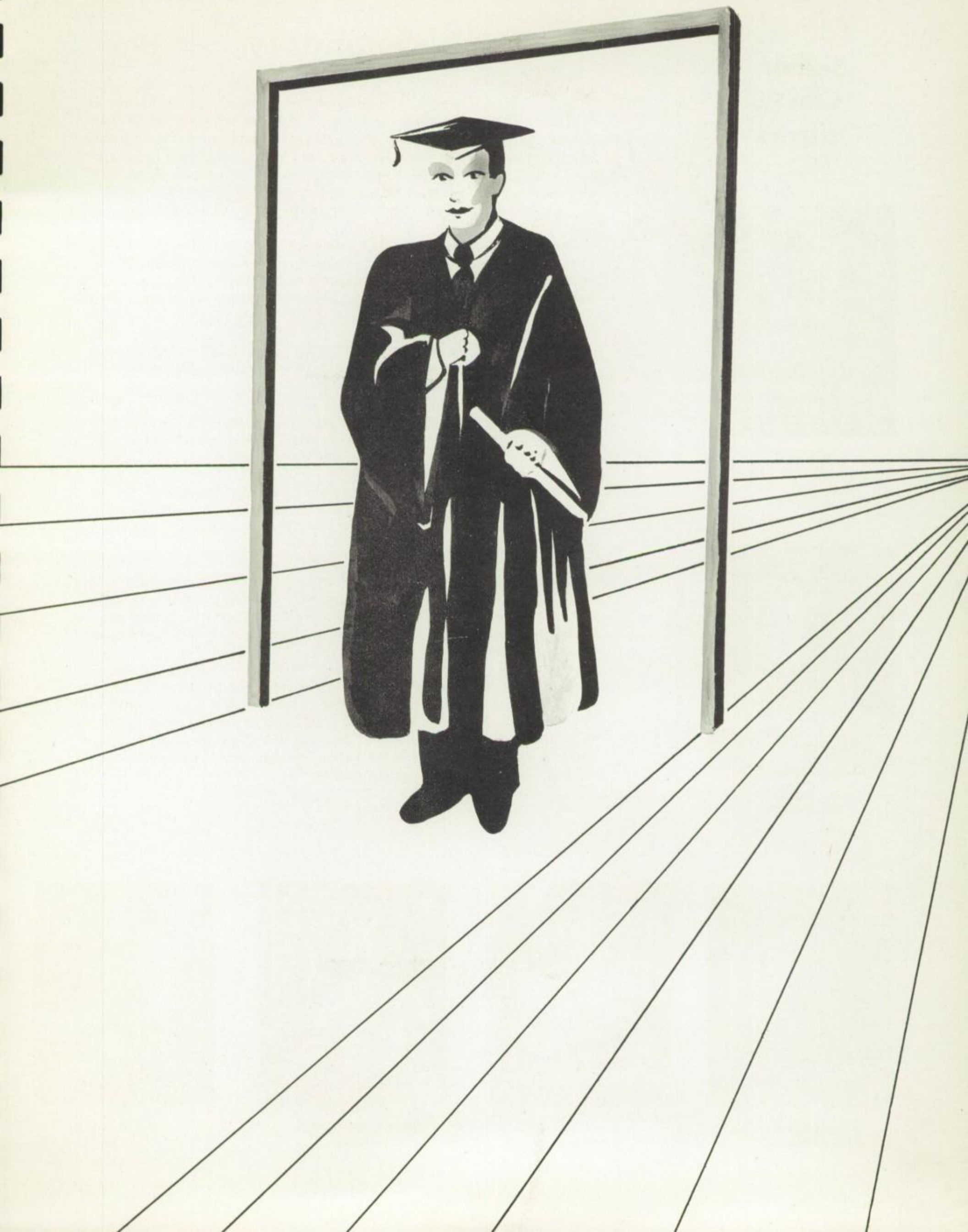


Mrs. Gitin, Dr. Himmele, Miss R. Gott, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Gott, Mr. Kelly, Mrs. Gott, Mr. Gitin, Miss E. Gott, Mr. McGowan were at the head table

when the faculty gave a farewell party for Mr. Gott at the Twentieth Century Club, June 2, 1955.

Seniors

AS freshmen they hesitated about opening the substantial oak door to catch a first glimpse of a new life. As sophomores and juniors, they swung open the door, eager to renew experiences and friendships. As seniors they appreciate the significant part the doors of Lafayette had in their lives. They recall the suspense, eagerness, reluctance, and excitement that accompanied the simple opening of a door.



Senior Class Officers

Salutatory



JOHN REID
President

1/2/57



MARY SVENSSON
Vice President

OUR parents, teachers, principal, almost everyone we talked with, assured us that this was to be our day. We have had time enough, we agreed, for solemn faces and weighty thoughts; this day would be dedicated to us. Let there be laughter, quips, and jollity. And so it has come to pass. Because we realize, however, that our life could never be so happy as it is now had it not been for teachers, parents, principal, and friends, we welcome them with all our hearts to share our class day with us.

As we think of Lafayette, do we not recall first the echoes of laughter as we met with friends each day in center hall? Can we forget that each year we met new friends who enriched our lives? We recall how we looked forward to being reunited with former classmates at the beginning of each school year.

Friends have done much to make our four years happy. Opportunities for rewarding friendships have been open for each of us. Our hearts are filled with thanks for happy companionship.

We realize we can not begin to express our gratitude for the care and understanding we found in our teachers. While we enjoyed a carefree life, the school ran smoothly, our course carefully charted.

For three of our years at Lafayette Mr. Gott stood behind us. Day by day we saw his friendly face, felt his enthusiasm for sports and extra-curricular activities, and experienced his willingness always to help us in our difficulties.

This year we have become increasingly grateful to Mr. Axlerod for his kind thoughtfulness of us. In this brief year, we have come to realize the wonderful school spirit he has aroused. We shall always remember our cheering assemblies and the night dances, the way we played together as well as worked together.

Now as we are once again united, our hearts are a little sad because, although this is our day, we realize that the gaiety and happiness of school life are near an end. And so with our good companions and loved ones, we join in "Loud sing her praises," knowing that as we leave gaiety behind and prepare for more serious duties, we shall praise Lafayette often and cast many a longing lingering look behind.

Mildred Zatorski



KAY BURKE
Secretary



GORDEN HIPPLE
Treasurer



ADELINE CAMPANELLA
Marshal

✓
12/21/56



THOMAS REILLY
Marshal

✓

Valedictory

AS we, the graduates of 1956, are about to close the doors of Lafayette for the last time, our thoughts turn back to the day when we first walked through these doors of opportunity. How excited we were on that first day. We expected to become learned students as we progressed through four years of struggle with our high school subjects. However, tonight, as we approach graduation, we do so in a spirit of humility; we do not feel the dignity of our stature as seniors; we realize that we have only begun to acquire knowledge. But we know, too, that the doors of opportunity are still open wide for those who would enter. Learning is ahead, not behind.

"The opening and closing of doors are the most significant actions of man's life," says Christopher Morley. Had it not been for the endeavors of our teachers, the doors of opportunity might have remained closed to us. During our first three years, Mr. Gott led us in our widening search for knowledge. No other person could have served as a better example for young people to emulate in their desire for self improvement. Mr. Axlerod, our new principal, believes that the student body should learn to accept responsibility, for with the acceptance of responsibility comes personal growth. We have liked to work with him. Under his guidance and with his encouragement, we have profited from the experiences of our last and most difficult year.

Even with these four years of training, we shall not realize our potentialities if our knowledge is not applied in the right direction. Just as the power of the atom can be directed toward evil; so can the power of knowledge stored in the human mind. But if learning is put to good use, we can save the future from misery and war.

Now as we, the class of 1956, are about to walk through the halls of Lafayette for the last time, we take with us a part of Lafayette; in return, we leave a vital part of ourselves. We take with us learning, unique traditions, and an invincible spirit. We leave our loyalty, our respect, our desire to serve our Alma Mater. We hope that the endeavors of our teachers have not been in vain; we are determined to win for ourselves a place in the history of Lafayette. We bid farewell to Lafayette with the knowledge that we will always honor the banner of violet and white and think of her with true devotion.

Gary B Cogdell

Senior Class Officers



GARY COGDELL
Valedictorian

12/21/56
1/2/57



MILDRED ZATORSKI
Salutatorian



MAUREEN POLLINO
Historian



RICHARD C. VARA
Historian

1/2/57



PATRICIA BUTTS
TRIANGLE Editor

✓



EMMIE MAX
ORACLE Editor

NANCY ABBEY

"Elegant as simplicity and warm as ecstasy."

Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Merit Roll 2, 3



JACQUELINE D. ANTHONY

"A pearl of great price."

Merit Roll 1

ANNA L. ABRAMS

"Step after step the ladder is ascended."



CAROL A. ANZALONE

"Not that I love study less but that I love fun more."

Monitor 4

MICHELINA C. AIELLO

"A face with gladness overspread!
Soft smiles, by human kindness bred!"

Junior Red Cross 3
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4
Student Council 4



THOMAS A. ANZELONE

"What he has he gives."

Merit Roll 1
Football 2

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PAUL ALFF

"A man's character is revealed by his speech."

American Legion Contest 4
Forensic Club 3
Monitor 4
Crew 3

✓ 1 visit



FRANCINE AQUILINA

1 visit

"Nothing is so popular as kindness."

Honor Roll 1, 3
Merit Roll 2
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 3, 4
Monitor 2, 3, 4
Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Oracle Staff 4
500 Point "L"

SANTINA A. ALIOTO

"Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

Honor Roll 1, 3, 4
Merit Roll 2
Bank Teller 2
Monitor 4
150 Point "L"



JO ANN ANNIBALE

"We are all born equal, and are distinguished alone by virtue."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Forensic Club 3
Girls' Declamation 3, 4
Junior Council on World Affairs 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4



Peter Tasca, Donald King, Joseph Zavarella check their job in the chase against the proof, prior to printing tags, Christmas cards, or another school project.





Edward Hill, Peter Keller, Gary Cogdell, George Livingston (especially George) quiet their shaking knees before leading the solemn procession of seniors into assembly.

ROSE ARONICA

"The hardest habit of all to break is the terrible habit of happiness."

Honor Roll 1
Forensic Club 3
He Iota Pfe 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 1, 3, 4
Oracle Staff 3
Variety Show 3
Debate 3
Cheerleader 1, 3, 4

RICHARD ARQUETTE

"Thou hast wit at will."

Oracle Salesman 1
Football 2, 3

SALVATORE J. BALONE

"Studious of ease and fond of humble things."

Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Oracle Salesman 3
Track 1, 2, 3, 4

LORRAINE M. BALSDON

"There was never a saint with red hair."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 4
Student Council 4
Triangle Staff 3
500 Point Gold "L"



DIANN BARKER

"Imagination is more important than knowledge."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 4



BERNICE BATES

"Speech is the image of life."

Honor Roll 3
Merit Roll 1, 2, 4
Forensic Club 3
Girls' Declamation Contest 3, 4
Glee Club 1, 2
Monitor 4



BRUCE BAUER

"Humble because of knowledge; mighty because of sacrifice."



ROSE MARIE BODAMI

"And you will speed us onward with a cheer."

Bank Teller 2
Baton Twirler 2, 3
Junior Red Cross 1
Monitor 3, 4
Variety Show 2, 3
Cheerleader 4



NICHOLAS L. BONGIOVANNI

"One who has both feet firmly planted in the air."

Monitor 4



DARLENE D. BORZILLERI

"The most essential thing for happiness is the gift of friendship."

Merit Roll 1, 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 3



Peter Sucato, Peter Mac Ewan, Patricia Lucore show school spirit by investing in Lafayette booster buttons and book covers from Rose Fiorella and Richard Arquette in the bookstore.



IRENE BRONZINO

"It is better to be brief than tedious."

Monitor 4
Triangle Staff 4



JOYCE BROWN

"The best way to keep good acts in memory is to refresh them with new."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 1, 3, 4
Triangle Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Variety Show 2



ROSEMARY BRUNETTE

"Pretty to walk with, witty to talk with, and pleasant, too."



JOEL BUFFAMONTE

"Every inch a man."

Monitor 4
Student Council 3, 4
Baseball 3, 4

Bryant's situation



KAY BURKE

"The stars that have most glory have no rest."

Senior Secretary
Honor Roll 1, 2
Merit Roll 3, 4
Bank Teller 1, 2
Junior Council on World Affairs 3
Junior Red Cross 1
300 Point "L"



PATRICIA BURNS

"Good seed can yet
Of its own nature bear a shining crop."

Merit Roll 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 4
Triangle Salesman 2



SALLY BOVA

"Tis the prettiest that you ever did spy."

Merit Roll 1
Oracle Circulation Manager 4



ROGER BRANNAN

"He pleases all the world but cannot please himself."

Honor Roll 1
Monitor 4
Student Council 3
Triangle Staff 3, 4
Variety Show 3
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Football 2, 3, 4

JUDITH E. BRENT

"What sweet delight a quiet life affords."

He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4
Monitor 4



NELLIS BRIGGS

"Full well she sang the service divine."

Glee Club 1, 2, 4
Monitor 1, 3
Skating Club 1
Variety Show 1, 2, 3
Lafayette Y-Teens 1, 2



STATE TEACHERS

PATRICIA A. BUTTS

"The finest sight beneath the sky."

Triangle Editor-in-Chief
Junior Social Chairman
Merit Roll 1, 2, 3
Bank Teller 4
Triangle Salesman 3
Triangle Staff 3, 4



JOSEPHINE N. CATANIA

"The pupil of impulse."

Junior Council on World Affairs 4
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 2
Cheerleader 4

ADELINE CAMPANELLA

"Nothing is impossible to a willing heart."

Senior Girls' Marshal
Merit Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 2, 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Student Council 3, 4
Variety Show 3
Cheerleader 4

CHARLES E. CARD

"If he isn't joining in the fun, he's making it."

Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Monitor 4
Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4
Track 2
Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4



VINCENT C. CATANZARO

"Reading maketh a full man."

Monitor 4
Baseball 4
Football 3



COLLEEN CHOREY

"When there's a will, there's a way."

Glee Club 1
Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 4
Triangle Staff 3

PATRICIA A. CARTER

"A witty woman is a treasure."

Merit Roll 1
Glee Club 1, 2, 4
Junior Red Cross 2, 4
Monitor 3, 4
Triangle Staff 4



SUE CHURCHILL

"I doubt her dancing days are over."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 3
Skating Club 1
Triangle Salesman 2
Variety Show 1, 3
500 Point Gold "L"

DOLORES ANN CASTELLUCCIO

"Blessed are they who have the gift of making friends."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 3, 4
Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Student Council 3



HARRY CATALANO

"It is impossible to please all the world."

Merit Roll 1
Tennis 3, 4



George Hemphill, Robert Gist and John Michael concentrate on getting the perfect picture while Josephine Tirone, Ralph Moorhouse and Joan Ann Curto try for winning smiles.



DOROTHY CLARK

"Happy, clever, bright; all together just right."

Junior Red Cross 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 4
Monitor 3,4
Triangle Salesman 2,4



JOAN ANN CURTO

"A smile that is merry, an eye that is clear." X

Merit Roll 1,2,3,4
Bank Teller 1
Glee Club 1
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 2,3

FRANK COGDELL

"I'll find a way or make it."

Honor Roll 1,4
Merit Roll 2,3
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Oracle Staff 4
Crew 2
Football 3
Swimming 1,2



JANET R. D'ARRIGO

"I've watched my duty, straight an' true, An' tried to do it well."

Junior Vice President
Honor Roll 1,2,3,4
Junior Red Cross 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 1,2,3,4
Monitor 4
Oracle Assistant Editor 4
Oracle Salesman 2,3
150 Point "L"

GARY B. COGDELL

"Success is this man's god."

Honor Roll 1,2,3,4
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Oracle Staff 4
Projection Crew 1,2,3,4
Variety Show 1,2,3
Crew 1,2
Swimming 1,2,3
Cheerleader 4



EMILIA DE MEO

"Quiet is she, but busy as a bee."

VICTOR M. COLONNA

"An honest man, and a warm heart within."

Monitor 4



JANET M. DESIMONE

"Speech is great, but silence is greater."

Merit Roll 1
Bank Teller 1,2
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 2,3,4
Oracle Salesman 4

JESSIE M. CONLEY

"A loving heart is the beginning of all knowledge."

Honor Roll 3,4
Merit Roll 1,2
Bank Teller 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 3,4
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 4



DOROTHY DE VERNA

"We know the truth, not only by the reason, but also by the heart."

Merit Roll 1,2,3
Glee Club 1

CAROLYN A. CROOK

"As full of spirit as the month of May."

Merit Roll 1,4



VINCENT LOUIS DI PAOLO

"He is a sure card."

Monitor 4

"Coop"

MILLIE DITCHKO

"With will, one can do anything."

Merit Roll 3
Glee Club 4
Cheerleader 4



PATRICIA DOHERTY

"Unlike others, she was herself."

Merit Roll 1
Baton Twirler 1
Glee Club 1, 2
Monitor 4



GAYLE DURHAM

"Sweetness is the essence of popularity."

Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Skating Club 1
Triangle Staff 3
Variety Show 2
150 Point "L"



ROGER ELLIOTT

✓ 10/25/56
"In life, as in chess, forethought wins."

Chess Club 1, 2, 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Record Club 4



BEVERLY Y. FARRELL

"All nature wears a universal grin."

Glee Club 1
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4



JEAN M. FERRARO

"There's a bit of stardust in her eyes."

Merit Roll 3
Glee Club 1



ROSE T. FIORELLA

"As merry as the day is long."

Monitor 2, 3, 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Triangle Staff 3, 4
Theta Nu Hi-Y 1, 2



RAYMOND FLISS

"Nature's old felicities."



HAZEL FLYNN

"Eyes so transparent that they permit your soul to be seen."

Monitor 4



LENORA FOSTER

1 visit
"All is good that hath good end."

Merit Roll 1
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Red Cross 1, 2, 3
Monitor 1, 2
Student Council 1
Variety Show 3
150 Point "L"
Cheerleader 1



DORIS FRIGIONI

"Her friendship is constant."



RICHARD FRUCELLA

"Far away from toil and troubles."

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1/29/57

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JOAN C. FUNK

"A fairer flower."

Merit Roll 1,2
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 1,2,3,4
Monitor 1,2,3,4
Oracle Salesman 1
Triangle Salesman 3



GARY L. GALBRAITH

"A quiet tongue makes a wise head."

Swimming 1



JOSEPH GARLINGTON

"Oh why should life all labor be."

*Met on William St
5/57*



GEORGINA GASCOYNE

"Love is a beautiful dream."

Monitor 1



BEULAH E. GEDER

"Everyone excels in something in which another fails."

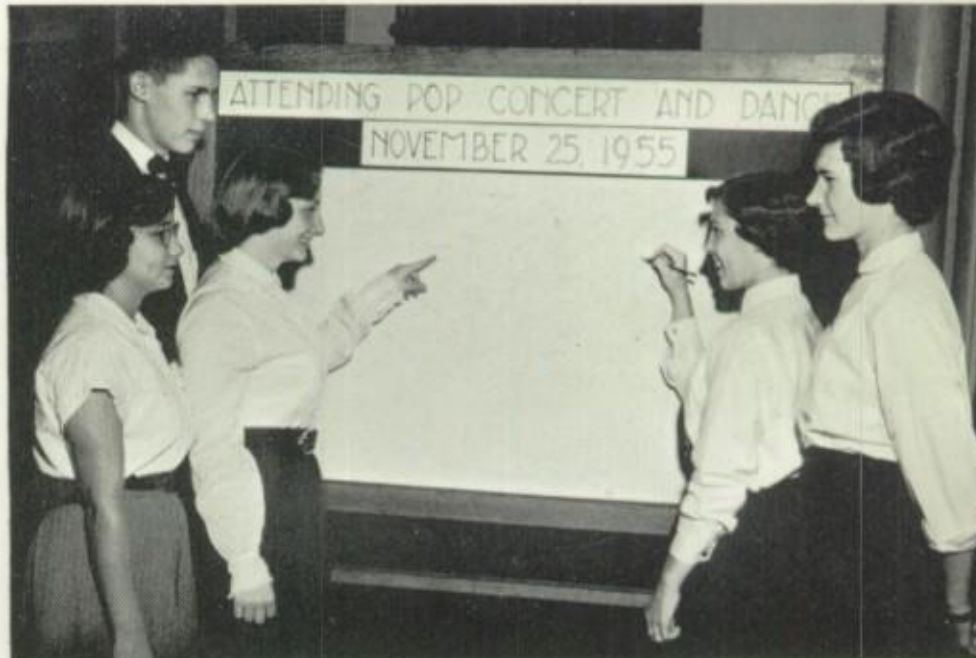


PHILIP GEISE

"A good man possesses a kingdom."

Honor Roll 1,2,4
Merit Roll 3
Band 4
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Student Council 4
Orchestra 4

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at WB
2/1/57*



Dolores Castelluccio, Phil Geise, Emmie Max, Carole Holden, Gini Seaborn sign their names with those of the other students who supported the Oracle sponsored Pop Concert and Dance.

FRANK GENGO

"The kindest man,
the best unwearied spirit."

Merit Roll 1
Bank Teller 1
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4



JOSEPHINE GIAFAGLIONE

"Thought is deeper than all speech,
Feeling deeper than all thoughts."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 2



ROBERT GIST

"The star of unconquered will."

Merit Roll 1
Chorus 4
Monitor 1,4
Photography Club 4
Basketball 1,3,4



CAROLE GOODWIN

"God will not love thee less,
because men love thee more."

Monitor 4
Junior Red Cross 1
150 Point "L"



Manhattan

JOHN GORMAN

"He that hath knowledge spareth his words."

Honor Roll 4



SANDRA GRAY

"Those eyes, affectionate and glad,
Which seemed to love what e'er they
looked upon."

Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 2, 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 3
Triangle Staff 4



CAROLINE GRIFASI

"A true friend and a firm companion."

Oracle Salesman 4
Triangle Staff 3, 4



AUGUST GRILLO

"Seldom hurried, never worried."

Band 2, 3, 4
Variety Show 1



Joanne Salatino, Joan Zavarella, Roger Brannan, John Martin and Joan Zappia line up to use the telephone. Is it "Hello, Mom" or "Hello, Honey?"



CAROL GRIMM

"To do easily what is difficult for others
is the mark of talent."

Merit Roll 4
Bank Teller 2, 4
Baton Twirler 1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 1, 2
Junior Red Cross 2
Variety Show 1, 3



RUTH M. GROUNDWATER

"The song that we hear with our ears is only
The song that is sung in our hearts."

Bank Teller 1
Chess Club 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 2, 3



JOAN M. GUGINO

"I am earnest; and I will be heard."

Merit Roll 1, 3
Bank Teller 1, 2
Glee Club 1, 2
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 4
Monitor 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Staff 4
500 Point Gold "L"

RICHARD A. GULLO

"Patience is the best remedy for every
trouble."

Merit Roll 4
Monitor 4
Track 1, 2



HAROLD HAFNER

"Happy in the swim of things."

Junior Council on World Affairs 3
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Projection Crew 4
Crew 3
Swimming 3



GERALD HAGEN

"Oh bell! where is thy ring?"

CHRISTINE W. HARRINGTON

"Scottish and proud of it."

Merit Roll 3
Junior Red Cross 4
Oracle Assistant Editor 4



GEORGE L. HEMPHILL

"A ball in the basket is worth two on the floor."

Chess Club 3
Junior Red Cross 4
Monitor 4
Photography Club 4
Baseball 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 1, 3, 4
Swimming 1



WILLIAM HEMPHILL

"Time is but a stream I go a-fishing in."

Chess Club 3
Triangle Salesman 3
Basketball 3, 4
Cross Country 3



ARTHUR HENRY

"He is a man of his own mind."

Cross Country 1, 2, 3
Track 1



Jessie Conley, Janet D'Arrigo, Mickey Aiello perform the weekly task of bulletin board changing as James Lee and Nancy Polito glimpse happenings of the coming week.



EVELYN HICKMAN

"Silence is strength."

BARBARA JOYCE HILL

"Let thy speech be short, comprehending much in few words."

Merit Roll 1
Bank Teller 2
Glee Club 2
Monitor 4



CECELIA L. HILL

"A penny for your thoughts."

Honor Roll 1



EDWARD HILL

"The happiest person is the person who thinks the most interesting thoughts."



GORDON R. HIPPLE

"His smile is sweetened by his gravity."

Senior Treasurer
Junior Marshal
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Monitor 4
Projection Crew 1, 2, 3, 4
Triangle Salesman 1



CAROLE I. HOLDEN

"It's nice to be natural when you're naturally nice."

Merit Roll 3, 4
Bank Teller 2, 4
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Variety Show 3
Y Teens 2
500 Point Gold "L"



MARLENE HUGHES

"Art is nature made by man."

Honor Roll 4
Glee Club 1
Monitor 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 3
Triangle Staff 4



STACIA HUGHES

"Kindness is the sunshine in which virtue grows."

Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 2



BARBARA J. HULL

"I looked and looked and laughed!"

Merit Roll 1, 3
Glee Club 1
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 1
Variety Show 3
Y Teens 2
500 Point Gold "L"



DAVID J. HUMPHREYS

"I do not own an inch of land, but all I see is mine."

Junior Red Cross 1
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 4
Variety Show 3
Football 3, 4
Swimming 1, 2



JOYCE JONES

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance."

Merit Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 2



JANET E. KELLAM

"Silence is more eloquent than words."

Honor Roll 1



Bruce Bauer, Charles Pezzino, Shirley Lucas, Nancy Nelson, and Jack Mitrey are trying to prove where the weight on the lever is greatest in an experiment in physics.



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PETER OGDEN KELLER
ECTI
"A noticeable man with large blue eyes."

Bank Teller 1
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Baseball 2, 4
Cross Country 1
Football 2
Swimming 1
Track 1

CAROL R. KESSLER

"Not much talk - a great sweet silence."

He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4



JOSEPH KIBLIN

"Men of few words are the best men."

Monitor 4

BRYANT T. STRATTON

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DONALD KING

"You can't keep a good man down."

Merit Roll 4
Monitor 3, 4
Projection Crew 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Football 2, 3, 4
Tennis 3, 4
Track 1

MARINES



EVELYN M. KING

"A lady richly clad as she,
Beautiful exceedingly."

Merit Roll 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 3,4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 2



JUDITH KOMPSON

"Her face betokened all things dear and
good."

Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 1,2,3,4



MARY A. KOZLOWSKI

"Sincerity hath a charm of its own."

Monitor 4
Skating Club 1
Triangle Salesman 2



JACQUELYN KUHNS

"May fortune bless you!
May the middle distance of your life be
as pleasant as the foreground."

He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3,4
Variety Show 3
300 Point "L"



CONSTANCE M. LA BARBERA

"That smile with an intent to do mis-
chief."

Bank Teller 2
Monitor 4
Cheerleader 4



NICHOLAS LAGATTUTA

"A mighty hunter whose prey was knowl-
edge."

Honor Roll 1,2,3,4
Triangle Salesman 1



JOHN LA MARCA, JR.

"I am wealthy in my friends."

Monitor 4
Baseball 3,4
Basketball 4
Football 1,2,3,4
Swimming 1,2
Track 1,2



LOUIS M. LAURIA

"The folly of one man is the fortune of
another."

Band 2,3,4
Bank Teller 4
Monitor 4
Orchestra 4



JAMES LEE

"Blessings on him that first invented
sleep."

Band 1
Monitor 4
Orchestra 1
Cross Country 1,2,3
Track 1,2,3,4



JOHN W. LENAHAN

"His eyes flooded with laughter."

Record Club 4



RICHARD LIEBRECHT

"I had rather wear out than rust out."



GEORGE C. LIVINGSTON

"An honest man and a warm heart within."

Bank Teller 2
Junior Red Cross 1
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 4
Variety Show 2
Crew 1,2,3,4
Football 2,3,4

XMAS CARD

ALBERTA LOCKETT

"A live wire never gets stepped on."

Glee Club 2,3
Record Club 4
150 Point "L"



GRACE K. LOGAN

"Virtue is like a rich stone, best plain set."

Monitor 3,4
Triangle Salesman 4



SHIRLEY LOIACONO

"The maiden with the deep brown eyes."

Triangle Staff 4



CHARLES LO TEMPIO

"A man of many words."

Monitor 4
Football 1,2,3,4
Track 2



SHIRLEY J. LUCAS

"She was a scholar, and a good one."

Honor Roll 1,2,3,4
Chess Club 4
Girls' Council 1
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 4
Junior Council on World Affairs 4
Junior Red Cross 1



PATRICIA LUCORE

"A pretty face, a sunny wreath of hair."

Junior Marshal
Bank Teller 2
Glee Club 1
Theta Nu Hi-Y 1,2
Triangle Staff 4



PETER MAC EWAN

"All wisdom's armory this man could hold."

Honor Roll 1,4
Merit Roll 2,3
Oracle Salesman 4
Monitor 4
Track 1,2,3,4



JACQUELYN MANGANO

"A sight to delight in."

Glee Club 1
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 2,3
Triangle Staff 4
Y-Teens 2



ANTHONY MARASCHIELLO

"The frivolous work of polished idleness."

Orchestra 1,4
Band 1,2,3,4



PATRICIA MARCONI

"Ask and learn."

Bank Teller 1
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 4
Triangle Staff 3,4



CAROLYN MARIAN MARTIN

"We cannot all do all things."

Merit Roll 1
Triangle Staff 4



JOHN L. MARTIN

"He is most powerful who has power over himself."

Junior Red Cross 1
Monitor 4
Baseball 3,4
Basketball 3,4
Football 2,3,4

ROBERT MAURO

"For riches and rank I do not yearn."

Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 2



EMMIE MAX

"Whatever she chooses to do she does well."

Oracle Editor-in-Chief
Honor Roll 1, 4
Merit Roll 2, 3
Glee Club 1
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 4
Oracle Staff 1, 4
Triangle Staff 2
Variety Show 1, 2, 3



SUSANNE MC CARTHY

"Free of care and fond of fun."

Student Council 4



RUTH MC CLELLAND

"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good."

Merit Roll 1, 4
Band 4
Glee Club 4
Orchestra 4
Triangle Salesman 1
Triangle Staff 2



JULIETTE MC CLURE

"We're born to be happy, all of us."

Baton Twirler 2, 3
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3
Monitor 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 2, 3
Cheerleader 4



PATRICIA MC CORKINDALE

"Is she not fair?"

Glee Club 1, 2
Junior Red Cross 1, 2, 4
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4
Variety Show 1
Y-Teens 2, 3
150 Point "L"
Orchestra 4



Susan Pates, Judith Kompson, Joan Funk, Mamie Merriwether, and Elaine Miller, taking time out for a friendly conversation, seem reluctant to depart from school.



EDWARD MC CRAY

"Counts his gain and hurries back for more."

Merit Roll 2
Triangle Salesman 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Football 2, 4
Track 2



LETTER
DENNIS JOHN MC HENRY

"The unconquerable will."

Junior Boys' Program Chairman
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Staff 3, 4
Cheerleader 4
Crew 1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country 1, 2
Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4



HOWARD H. MELCHER

"I expect to do great things."

Track 1
Bank Teller 2



PALMA ANN MENNO

"A spirit superior to every weapon."

Monitor 3, 4



Jo Ann Annibale, Grace Logan, Joanne Muscarelli, Lenora Foster, Edward Mc Cray speculate on Lafayette's retaining the Yale Cup or the possibility of an assembly.

MAMIE MERRIWETHER

"To know her is to like her."

Honor Roll 1
Merit Roll 2, 3, 4
Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 4
Record Club 4



JOHN J. MICHAEL ✓

"Never was a man created half as wise as he looks."

Photography Club 4

TARANTINO'S



ELAINE MILLER

"Such sober certainty of waking bliss."

Honor Roll 1, 4
Merit Roll 2



JAYNE MIRANDA

"Sweet, reluctant, amorous."

Junior Red Cross 4



JACK MITREY

ECT
"For his heart is like the sea,
Ever open, brave, and free."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 1
Track 2



RALPH MOORHOUSE

"A sound mind, a manly body."



FRANCIS MORONE

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"The less men talk the more they think."



PATRICIA MORRISON

"There is no mischief, but this woman is at one end of it."

Merit Roll 1
Glee Club 1



GRACE MUSCARELLA

CANISIUS
"The smile that won't come off."

Merit Roll 4
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Student Council 4
500 Point Gold "L"



JOANNE MUSCARELLI

"And if thou wouldst be happy,
learn to please."

Merit Roll 1
Bank Teller 4

36 NANCY NELSON

"Industry is the parent of success."

Honor Student
Transfer from Lyons, New York
Honor Roll 4



PATRICIA PATTERSON

"The flower of youth."

Junior Red Cross 1

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Yonville BARBARA F. NOVARO

And ne'er did trace a lovelier face."

Honor Roll 1, 4
Merit Roll 3
He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 3, 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 4
Oracle Staff 4
Variety Show 3
500 Point Gold "L"



JOHN P. PECORARO

"I agree with no man's opinions. I have some of my own."

Monitor 4
Baseball 4
Football 2, 3, 4
Swimming 1, 2, 3

my? JAMES H. O'CONNELL

"I want what I want when I want it."

Junior Social Chairman
Merit Roll 1
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4



EDITH A. PETERSON

"Better to be happy than wise."

Merit Roll 2
Variety Show 2
Monitor 4

LORRAINE OSBORN

"Blushing is the color of virtue."



CHARLES PEZZINO

"Reading maketh a full man."

Honor Roll 1
Oracle Salesman 1
Projection Crew 1, 2, 3, 4

NINA J. PANEPINTO

"Can we ever have too much of a good thing?"

Honor Roll 1, 2, 4
Merit Roll 3
Bank Teller 1
Glee Club 1
Monitor 3, 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Staff 4



ANTHONY PICIULO

"He makes a solitude, and calls it peace."

SUSAN R. PATES

"He doth nothing but talk of his horse."

He Iota Pfe Hi-Y 4



NANCY POLITO

"A merry lass with a friendly smile for all who pass."

MAUREEN D. POLLINO

"Let us leave hurry to the slaves."

Senior Girls' Historian
Honor Roll 1, 2
Merit Roll 3
Bank Teller 1
Junior Council on World Affairs 4
Junior Red Cross 1
Triangle Staff 4



JOHN C. REID

"A grain of manhood."

Senior Class President
Junior Class Treasurer
Monitor 4
Student Council 3, 4
Crew 1, 2, 3, 4
Football 2, 3, 4

✓ 10/11/56
11/24/56
1/2/57
1/8/57
2/6/57

PASCAL P. PRATT

"Art is a kind of illness."

Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4

✓ 9/5/56
9/12/56
9/14/56
9/18/56
9/19/56
11/8/56
11/21/56



TOM REILLY

"The slow wise smile."

Senior Boys' Marshal
Merit Roll 1
Forensic Club 3
Monitor 4
Projection Crew 1, 2, 3, 4
Crew 1, 2
Cheerleader 4

✓ 9/21/56
12/18/56
3 visits in all

JOSEPHINE M. QUADRONE

"T.N.T. -- Trim, neat, and terrific."

Junior Program Chairman 3
Honor Roll 1
Merit Roll 2
Monitor 4
Student Council 4



PATRICIA D. RELATION

"The mildest manners and the gentlest heart."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Forensic Club 3
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 3
300 Point "L"

✓ 1/15/57

CAROL S. RACHLEY

"To thee was granted, a heart ever new;
To all always open, to all always true."

Merit Roll 1
Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Skating Club 1
Variety Show 1



BARBARA RILEY

"Thou wert my guide and friend."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 4
Merit Roll 3
Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 4
Student Council 4
Triangle Salesman 2

PEGGY LEE RECKAHN

"A sweet, attractive kind of grace."

Bank Teller 1, 2
Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 4
Variety Show 1, 2



MARY ROGERS

"A happy youth, like sweetest thing that ever grew."

Glee Club 1, 4
Y-Teens 1, 2, 3

BARBARA C. REEVES

"It is better to be faithful than famous."

Merit Roll 1, 4
Y-Teens 1



STEPHAN J. RUSSO

"Single-handed I can move the world."

Crew 1
Football 3, 4
Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4

JOANNE SALATINO

"Honest labor bears a lovely face."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Red Cross 1
Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y 2, 3, 4
Oracle Circulation Manager 4



JOSEPH A. SHEPHERD

"Wit and wisdom are both born in a man."

Merit Roll 2, 4
Chess Club 2
Monitor 4
Baseball 2
Cross Country 2

NAVY

JOHN R. SCHULZ

"Titles are marks of honest, wise, men."

Junior Class President
Honor Roll 1
Merit Roll 2, 3, 4
Lambda Beta Psi Hi-Y 4
Monitor 4
Student Council 3, 4
Crew 2
Cross Country 3

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DINNER
12/21/56



ELAINE SIM

"I must laugh and dance and sing;
Youth is such a lovely thing."

Monitor 4

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SHEILA SCINTA

"A lovely lady, garmented in light from
her own beauty."

Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Triangle Staff 4
Y-Teens 1



HARRY SMITH

"Men of thought and men of action,
Clear the way!"

Merit Roll 4
Monitor 4
Student Council 3
Football 2, 3, 4

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LUCILLE SCIOLINO

"Great thoughts come from the heart."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 1
Oracle Circulation Manager 4
Oracle Salesman 2



WILLIAM L. SMITH

"If ambition is not with you,
Don't worry; tomorrow is another day."

Track 2

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VIRGINIA A. SEABORN

"A flower worthy of praise."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Junior Red Cross 1
Monitor 4
Record Club 4
Triangle Salesman 3
Variety Show 3
500 Point Gold "L"
Junior Life Saving 2



SHIRLEY J. SECORD

"Always ready for a good time."

Monitor 4



Lafayette beauties Ruth Ward, Ruth Groundwater, and Carole Goodwin watch and wait anxiously to put on their faces as Christine Harrington completes the job.



EILEEN SNOW

"Silence is true wisdom's best reply."



EVELYN SPEAR

"Her talents were of the more silent class."

Honor Roll 1
Merit Roll 2, 3
Glee Club 1, 2, 3
Monitor 4



ANTHONY STASHAK

"Tis a youth of frolic."

Honor Roll 4
Merit Roll 1, 2, 3
Junior Red Cross 1
Monitor 4
Projection Crew 1
Football 1
Basketball 4

✓ 9/28/56
12/7/56
12/12/56
Called me over
at East
12/21/56
1/29/57
2/1/57
1/16/57
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ROBERT STASHAK

"Patience and shuffle the cards."

Monitor 4
Band 1, 3, 4
Orchestra 4

BRYANT
STRATTON

Mother called me
3 times at East HS
Cousin Tony called me
once re Bob at East

Frank Cogdell, Vincent Di Paolo, Gordon Hipple, and Val Holmes
anticipate that water should burn because, when decomposed, it contains
highly combustible hydrogen and oxygen.



IRWIN STICKLE

"A good heart is better than all the heads
in the world."

Monitor 4
Transfer from Alliance High School,
Alliance, Ohio



PETER SUCATO

"I love experiments. I am always making
them."



DARYL A. SUGARMAN

"A true friend, a friend forever."

Forensic Club 2
Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 1, 2
Triangle Staff 3, 4



MARY L. SVENSSON

"Eyes too expressive to be blue, too
lovely to be grey."

Senior Vice President
Junior Secretary
Honor Roll 1, 4
Merit Roll 2, 3
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 3
Oracle Art Editor 4

Talked with
Father
2/5/57



JANICE SWAN

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Oracle Salesman 1
Oracle Staff 4
Student Council 3, 4



PETER A. TASCA

"And the fever called living is con-
quered at last."

Merit Roll 1
Bank Teller 1



PAUL A. TERESI

"A good nature and a smile goes a long way."

Monitor 4
Triangle Staff 4
Football 4



JOSEPHINE L. TIRONE

"I hate nobody; I am in charity with the world."

Honor Roll 1
Bank Teller 2
Junior Council on World Affairs 4
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Student Council 4
Triangle Staff 4
Variety Show 3



BARBARA TOBIAS

"Lovely to look at, delightful to know."

Glee Club 4
Monitor 4



ROSE MARIE TONTILLO

"When fortune favors us,
Popularity bears her company."

Merit Roll 1
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Salesman 3
150 Point "L"



EVELYN TRUXES

"If smiles were miles, what grounds she would cover."

PAUL UPCHURCH

"Thought is deeper than all speech."

Chess Club 4



BARBARA J. VAILS

"Friendly counsel cuts off many foes."

Merit Roll 1
Glee Club 1, 2, 4
Triangle Staff 4



RICHARD C. VARA

"You can't keep a good man down."

Senior Class Historian
Monitor 4
Oracle Staff 3
Football 3, 4



GRACE J. VELLA

"A pleasant smile, a winning way."

Glee Club 1
Monitor 4
Y-Teens 2
500 Point Gold "L"



MARILYN WALTERS

"This is the happiest of mortals."

Monitor 4
Triangle Salesman 1, 2
Triangle Staff 4



Josephine Quadrone, Patricia Marconi, Francine Aquilina, Josephine Catania, Margarite Webster busily fashion hats for Room 314 senior girls, to wear in the Thanksgiving Day football assembly.





Caroline Grifasi, Sally Bova, Palma Menno, Gayle Durham, Jayne Miranda seem pleased to report the results of a big date before going to their first hour classes.

ARTHUR J. WARD

CANISIUS

"Few boys are born with talents that excel,
But all are capable of living well."

Merit Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Chess Club 4
Swimming 2, 4



RUTH WARD

"Her heart matches her hair;
There's much warmth there."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Oracle Staff 4
Football Queen 4



CLEMONS WARE

"For he's a jolly good fellow."

Band 1

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MARGARITE R. WEBSTER

"Let me live and reign alone,
In a world I call my own."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 2, 3



JOSEPH ZAMBITO

"No one can calculate what this man can
say or do."

Merit Roll 2
Junior Red Cross 4
Monitor 4
Football 4
Swimming 1

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MARIE ZANGHI

"Deeds are silent."

Honor Roll 3
Merit Roll 1, 2
Oracle Salesman 4



JOAN R. ZAPPIA

"Fashioned so slenderly, young, and so
fair."

Merit Roll 1, 2
Bank Teller 4
Junior Red Cross 2
Monitor 4
Oracle Salesman 1, 3
Oracle Staff 4
Triangle Staff 2, 4
500 Point Gold "L"

MILDRED MAY ZATORSKI

"Loyalty is the holiest good in the human
heart."

Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4
Orchestra 4
Oracle Salesman 2
Student Council 4



JOAN ZAVARELLA

"Better to be happy than wise."

Bank Teller 1
Oracle Salesman 3



JOSEPH A. ZAVARELLA

"The happy man is he that knows the world
and cares not."

Monitor 4

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2/4/57





We Will Have These Moments to Remember



Mr. Hayes and Queen J. D'Arrigo look on as Mr. Gott crowns J. Schulz king at the Student Council sponsored Sweetheart Swing, February 3.

Tapped seniors H. Smith, J. Mc Clure, J. D'Arrigo, J. Schulz, G. Muscarella, A. Stashak pose around the Sweetheart Swing after the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts.

G. Cogdell visible as a left eyebrow, C. Holden, E. Max, P. Keller depart to join many Lafayettters at the Holly Dance.

Prospective Oracle literary staff members, S. Balone, P. MacEwan, F. Cogdell, J. Gugino, J. Curto, M. Aiello, R. Groundwater, J. Conley, J. Zappia, and Mr. Gott on Junior Day eagerly weigh pennies. They set out to accumulate 56 pounds of pennies for the 56 yearbook; they were overjoyed to collect 64 pounds.

Mr. Taylor of O'Neill Motor Corporation presents the keys of the 1956 Ford to Mr. Axlerod. S. Churchill, J. Zavarella, Mr. Johnston, P. Butts, and R. Groundwater, of the drivers' education program, set forth in the rain for the first actual driving.





R. Brannan, D. Smith, P. Keller, E. Max, N. MacLeod and R. Vara relax in the lobby after taking part in the grand march.



P. Seaver, S. Churchill, and M. Svensson with their escorts J. Schulz, P. Dolan, and G. Hipple dance to the music of Freddie Reeb's orchestra at the Junior-Senior Prom, May 6, 1955.

Violetta, our mascot decked out in the school colors, appears with Tom Reilly. Unfortunately the picture does not show on the white cloth thrown over her back the sayings "Ba-aa-a" and "We've go????goat!" When Violetta wasn't held, she ran around the track and ate -- and ate!

The class of 1956 borrowed the prestige and importance usually reserved for seniors as they marched into assembly and filled the entire center section. The officers, some in costume, are pictured in the front row just before their performance in the play, "I Won't Dance," at the spring junior day.

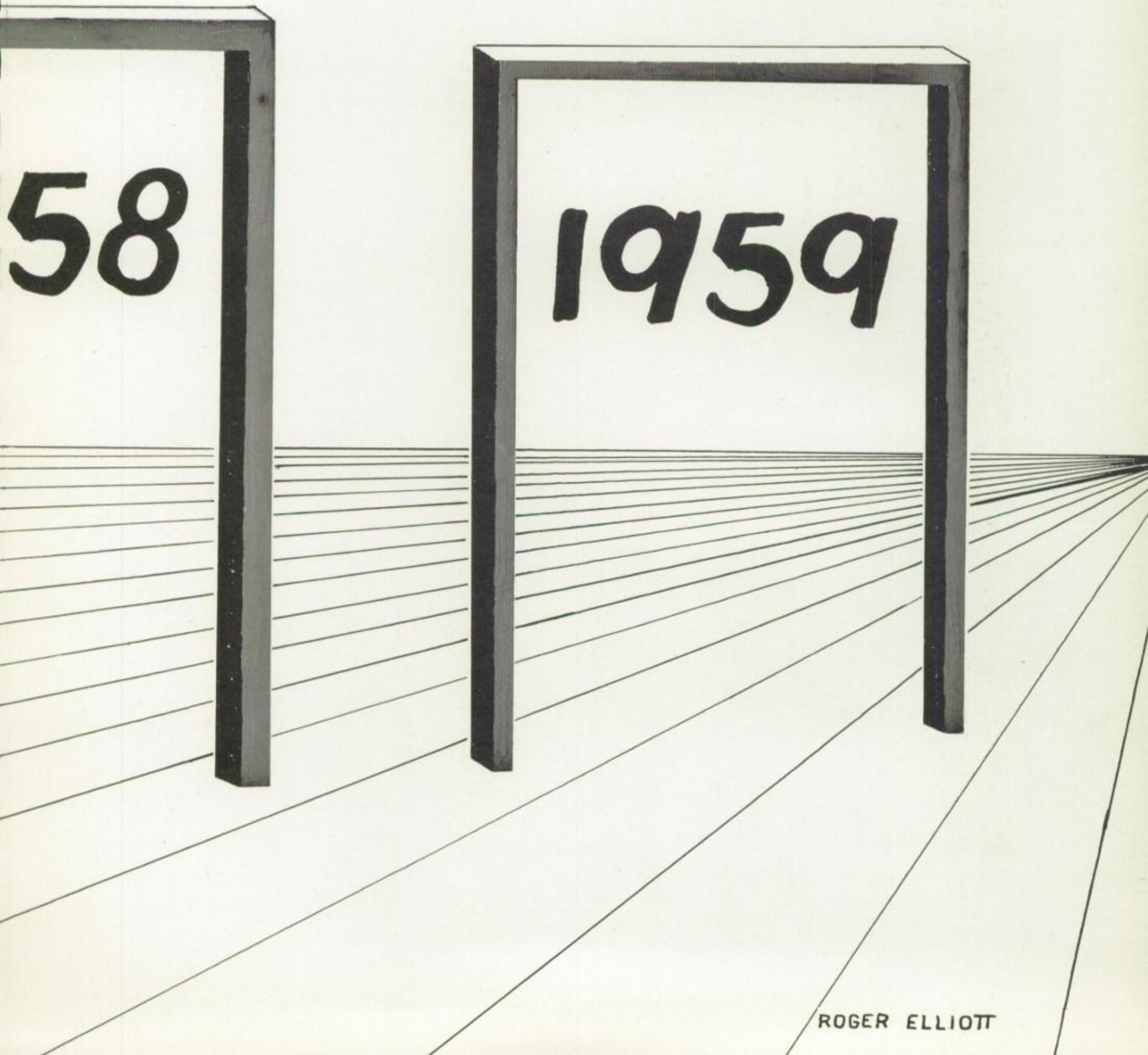


Classes

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If we were to keep the door to knowledge closed, we would find life quite dull, as a ten year old would tire quickly from playing continuously with blocks. The student enjoys opening this kind of door; and if he is really willing, he does not find it locked. It may be stuck and he may have to exert himself. But it is never locked!





Three Doors Opened;

OPENING the third door in a set of four, the junior was faced with special experiences in his third year of high school. But first he looked back to that day when, as a freshman, he opened the great wooden door and furtively tip-toed into LHS to begin the second phase of his education. He remembered also being called into the office for who-knows-what? and writing a fifty answer test after school. And he recalled the more pleasant things: the long and frantic "pep" assemblies, the classes that were dropped on such days, his meeting with friends in center hall to discuss last week's dance or hayride, and his frantic attempts to catch up with this month's crush.

And then, at last, he became a junior, an upper classman, and there were more exciting things to look forward to. Of course, there were still the "pep" rallies and the center hall gatherings but the extra events thrilled the class of 1957 most. Who would ever forget the rousing October 22 Lafayette-Riverside football game the juniors sponsored by putting on a highly amusing skit the day before in assembly and cheering to the skies? Who would fail to remember the beautiful and solemn Veterans' Day program on November 10? The juniors remember with pride the day they chose their class officers. The juniors felt they would do a good job.

Junior Class Officers

PAUL CAITO, president

NANCY MAC LEOD, vice president

GERALDINE CAPOLLA, girls' marshal,
is not pictured.



George H. Abrams



Dicie Armprester



Rosella Bailey



John S. Alongi

Jan. ✓✓
✓✓✓
Jan.

Charles Arnold



Mary E. Baker



Claudia Andrus



Janet Auray



Josie M. Bandinelli

✓✓ Alonzo Barnes



Shirley Barker



Ronald Battaglia ✓



Vincenza Battaglia



One's Still Ajar

And they did!

Naturally no third year would be complete without the May Junior Day and the Junior-Senior Prom. For the first all the girls donned their spring finery: bell, long torso, and pencil thin styles. The boys displayed the latest college fashions. They all looked adult and, certainly, added to the general appearance of the old halls; by 2:45 all the girls were glad to go home to take off those high, high heels.

Presently it was heard on buses, in the halls, in Cremo and the Gran-ette, and even in the middle of classes. "What are you wearing?" "What color is your dress? Mine's blue." "Johnny, please don't forget to get your car washed." "Oh, if he doesn't ask me, I'll just die." But Johnny did get the car washed and he did ask her and everything turned out absolutely perfect. Everyone who went to the prom had a wonderful time.

Soon the year will be over and each member of the junior class will close the door he opened so eagerly last September. But he will take with him many good and lasting memories; he will look forward just as eagerly to opening the fourth and greatest door in his years in high school. What lies beyond it he has no way of knowing; but whatever it is, he will accept the challenge.



Junior Class Officers

RICHARD LO GALBO, boys' marshal

RACHEL SACCO, secretary

ROBERT DOLDAN, treasurer



Elizabeth Belcher

Shirley Ann Benton

Constance Bennett

Gale G. Bertiaux

Robert Birner

Jeanette Bloom

Dennis Borden



Marcia J. Bradley

Bonnie B. Braun

Loretta Burroughs

Joyce E. Briggs

Josephine Busalachi



Jan.

Mr. Detmers, first principal, prayed

"To grow a little wiser day by day

2/15/57
2/18/57
1/4/57



Edgar A. Buseck



Patricia A. Ciszek



Amelia Davis

Patrick Dolan



Donald L. Fitzgerald



Ronald Butterson



Shirley Davis

Robert Doldan



Donald J. Flessa



Beverly Cleague



Willie Lee Davis

Thomas Doran



Salvator Garrasi



Vincent P. Caito



Peter R. Conover

Evelyn DeCollibus

Patricia H. Doyle



Robert Geise



Roy Carlisi



Edwin Constantino

Barbara L. DeMarco

William Dugar



Gertrude A. Genco



Anthony C. Cartone



Geraldine Coppala

Joan DeVine

Gail F. Eastmar



Philip G. Gerace



Robert Castiglione



Gloria Crawford

Stephanie DiBona

Delores Faust



Mary Jane Germano



Michael W. Ciancioli



Joyce I. Cronk

Stella DiPaolo

Shirley M. Fetes



Dorothy Gibson



Jean S. Cicero



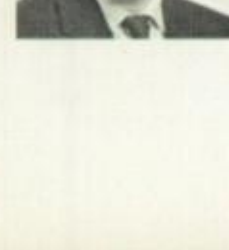
Marie R. Curto

Claudia DiSalvo

Janice Fields



Lester Glassner



Robert Cipriano



Frank D'Arrigo

Lester Glassner

Jan.

To school my mind and body to obey."

Mary K. Goss			Richard Haak Ht ✓✓			Ellen G. Kilian ✓	
Diana P. Grabbit			Nafeesah Habeeb			Cora Koch	
Gail G. Grant			Dennis J. Hager			Karin J. Kolz	
Eugene Graser			Claudia Hammond			Nina E. Lagattuta	
Katherine Green			Barbara J. Harding			Laura S. LaMarca	
Nicholas P. Griffo			Gail A. Hardwick			Elizabeth LaMarco	
Tom Grimes			Shirley A. Harley			Roy H. Langenbach ✓✓✓ 2/15/57	
Juanita Grissom			Diane M. Harvey WEST POINT 1/16/57 2ND ALTERNATE ✓✓✓			Cynthia A. Lawson ✓ 2/15/57	
Thelma Grunthamer			Dennis Hergert ✓✓ 2/15/57 AF			Lola M. LeDonne	

1/3/57

2/1/57

Juniors share his desire

"To shut the door on hate and scorn and pride



Ethel Macdonald



Linda MacEwan



Martha MacLeod



Nancy MacLeod



Angeline Maiorca



Thomasina Mallory



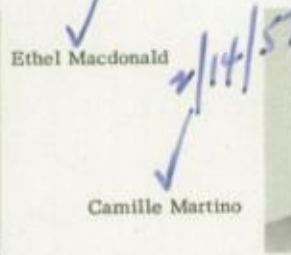
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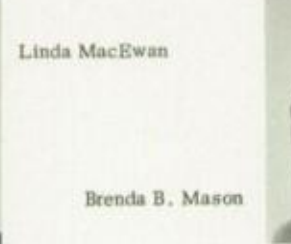
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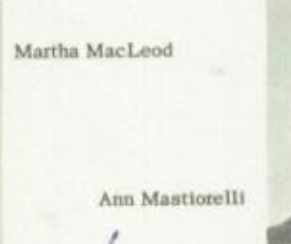
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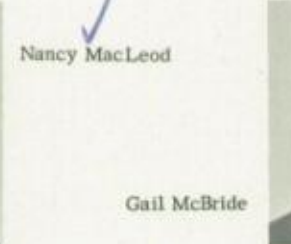
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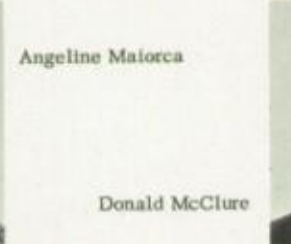
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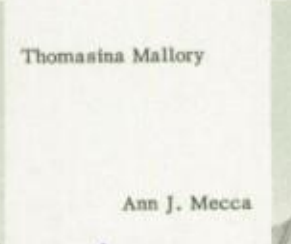
Ann Mastiorelli



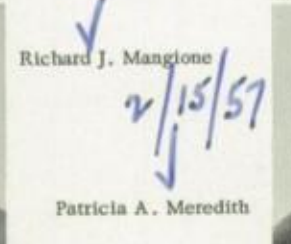
Gail McBride



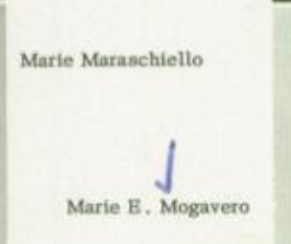
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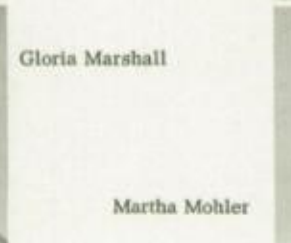
Ann J. Mecca



Patricia A. Meredith



Marie E. Mogavero



Martha Mohler



Caroline Montiforte



Jeanne Moore



Wilma Mt. Pleasant



Minnie Moten



Aurelia Murray



Carol L. Nablo



Dorothy O'Neil



Anthony B. Nawrocki



Barbara C. Paladino



Faith N. Noble



Norine S. Nola



Carol Ann Northrup



Charles P. Noto



Lorraine J. Odom



Dorothy O'Neil



Anthony B. Nawrocki



Lise M. Nielsen



Angelo A. Palamuso



Arlene Noah



Robert J. Palma



Dorothy B. Parker



Marlene S. Parrino



Florence A. Pedrick



Rosalie Pellitteri



John J. Peplinski



Dorothy Petersen



Betty J. Pitts



John H. Poole



Elnora Popielarski

To open them to love the windows wide."

Joanne F. Rainey



Jacquelyn Shanahan



Raymond D. Swain



Carol M. Upton



Joyce Ann Welsh



Virginia Reynolds



Barbara A. Shandraw



Valdora I. Swygert



Joanne Vigneri



✓
Raymond Whittaker



✓
Paul C. Richter



Garth Shultz



✓
Sal C. Territo



Millie Vigneri



Barbara A. Wilson



✓
Gasper Ruggiero



✓✓
Nicholas Sillitto



Carolyn Ann Tobias



✓
Tom J. Vizzi



Camille E. Wing



Leonarda Russo



Dawn Smith



Carol A. Tomaselli



Vonnell J. Wagner



Audrey R. Winley



Rachel Sacco



Janet Snyder



Franklyn Tornabene



Joan D. Wagonblott



Thelma Wood



Mary Ann Salvati



Marie C. Sperrazza



✓
Robert J. Trigilio



Christine Walker



✓
Joseph T. Wooster



✓
Lawrence H. Sanchez



Caroline F. Spina



Patricia A. Trotter



✓
Claude D. Walker



Lavada I. Wright



Rosalie Searstone



Dorothy Strasburg



Dolly M. Turner



Carole Ann Webb



✓
Jon D. Yeager



Slowly But Surely

THE doors were familiar ones. This year the sophomores knew what lay beyond: a math test, a familiar face, or a conversation in center hall. Sophomores are really the luckiest students in school. They



Johnetta Abrams
Don Adair

Mary Ann Adams
Jerry Agen

Jane Alair
Salvatrice Aliberti

Judith Anderson
Anthony Andolina

Rosemary Annibale
Joseph Anzalone



✓ John Augustine
Gwendalyn Bailey
Gloria Barr

✓ Charles Battaglia
Anne Beckstein
Rebecca Behr

Thomas Bell
Lucinda Bentley
Ann Bews

✓ James Biers
✓ Robert Boncore
✓ Joseph Bongl

Pasquale Bonito
Patricia Bossert
Margaret Bowles

✓ Daniel Brooks
Rudolph Brooks
Joseph P. Buscemi

Faye Buseck
Marjorie Ann Caputo
Rebecca Caylor

David H. Clark
David S. Clark
Glenda A. Clark

✓ Richard Cleague
✓ Sally Concardi
Felicia Contrino

Nancy Crane
Jacqueline Crittsinger
Joan Crowe



Alice D'Auria
Richard Diamond

Mary Jane Dike
Peter Dimaggio

Julius Di Paolo
Michael Di Pirro

Mary Di Vergillio
Diane Dixon

Daryl Dobrindt
Carol Doherty

✓ Diana Dozier
✓ Robert Dugan

Delores Durant
Julie Ellis

Mary Ellithorpe
Joann Falzone

George H. Felger
Herman Fisher

Gayle Ann Fitzgerald
Sheila Flett

They Are Approaching

have left behind the days when they peered through doors with anxiety; they reach for the knob to open the door to two more years of secondary education with unforeseen events and fruitful days at Lafayette.



Sharon Frandsen	Gentre R. Garmon	Gabriel Gonzalez
✓ John Frittita	Paul Garretson	Beverly Gutschow
Floyd Fuller	Melinda Gay	
✓ Thomas Gamble	Rosanne Gazzo	



James Harrington	Eddie Hodge	Jill Jones	Vince Latona	Beverly Love
Diane Heintzman	Ellen Hogg	Judy Jones	Richard Lee	Leota Lucas
Paulette Hemphill	Joyce Hopper	Curtis Kirkendall	Donna Marie Leman	Joan Lyons
✓ Philip Hammond	Sharon Hierl	Ann Iacano	Betty Koch	Patricia A. Lord
Johnnie Mae Hanner	Ernestine Hill	Joan Ivey	Robert Krauss	Ray Lo Tempio
Ernest Hardesty	Daniel Hochvert	✓ Phillip James	Eleanor D. Kuzma	Mary Lott



Jean Maiorca	Cora Mellott	John Moree	Joyce Nelles	Robert Pangburn
Beverly Marable	Elsie Mae Merrifield	Carolyn Jean Morris	Robert Nicolai	Judith Parker
Mary Mac Leod	Helen Mayberry	Louise Messel	George Moss	Patricia Noah
Anna Maggiore	Phillip Mc Anna	Francis Moon	Patricia Nayler	Roberta O'Neil



✓ Roger Pauley	Alberta Perkins	Grace Prime	Loretta Pursel	Melissa Rich
✓ James Peasland	Sara Jean Perla	✓ Peter Prince	Richard Randazzo	Mariene Rizzo
Willie Peoples	Robert Petersen	Laura Provenzano	Margaret C. Ray	Barbara Runfola
Judy Pepin	Jane Popielarski	Dennis Pulisi	Judith A. Reed	Joanne Russo



Sue Ann Sage	Donald Schoonover	Linda Deuel Smith	Gloria Teal	Delores Turley
Feryal Salih	Judy Schulz	Kirby Snyder	Arthur Thomas	Robert Vanderwarker
Betty Salvati	Jean Scinta	Rilla Storde	Mary F. Thomas	Florence Van Dusen
Susan Saunderson	Jack Scorsone	Salvatore Sucato	Octavia Thomas	Carol Sue Voas
Rosella E. Scalzo	Lillian Sferrazza	Richard Swarts	Rose Tirone	Patricia Walker
Barbara Schlierstein	Sandra Shepherd	Ethelyn Taylor	Katherine Titterington	Priscilla Walker



Sarah Watson	Charles Weiling	Edith Whiteside	Doris Williams	Ronald Winley	Carol Wright	Dorothy Young	Marie Zuffoletto	Delores Zwetsch
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FOR some sophomores especially, this has been a memorable year. Daniel Hochvert, Rosemary Annibale, Alice D'Auria, Sally Concardi, and Cora Mellott attained high honor roll averages.

More and more sophomores have taken part in Lafayette activities; James Peasland and Bob Dugan played varsity

football. Bob won honorable mention on the All-High Team. Sophomores sponsored the assembly before the South Park football game. Second year students were allowed to try out for cheerleading. Speaking contests attracted Donna Prince and Carol Voas.

They Looked and Looked and Entered Lafayette

ALL the doors looked alike to the freshmen last September. Soon they learned that the outside doors opened wide to give them a new start in a friendly home. They had the opportunity to open other doors to learning and to fun. They learned with others about conservation or how to test for

starch with iodine; they joined with others to buy ORACLE tags or renew markings on the gym floor; they cheered and sang lustily for the teams. As they opened door after door, they were plunged into the close fraternity of high school life.



Inta Kozerokis, Marie Margarucci,
Richard Finniss, Mary Ann La Verde,
Barbara Turley



Norman Richard, Eugene Sanchez,
Camille Curro, Jo Ann De Collibus,
William Harrison



Carlen Munn, Stanley Vander-
mark, Rosemarie Cutway, Edward
Loomis, Paul Taggart



Marilyn Anderson, Rita Coppola,
Salim Thomas, Patricia Moran, Amel-
ia Gordon



Ellyne James, Michael Campe,
Donna Collins, Michael Maraschiello,
Donald Lee



Christine Wright, Carol Vastola,
Joseph Poole, Carol Todoro, John
Menneci



Sharon Hinds, Connie Lloyd,
Janice Jefferson, Patricia Dougherty,
Romona Grimm



Nina Kellam, Barbara Reed, Kath-
ryn Mayer, Karen Schamberg, Rhonda
Smith



Sandra Zimmerman, Lucille
Andolina, Theresa Bonito, San-
dra Book, Loretta Fliss

Freshmen

Thomas Evege, Katherine Havas, Patricia Magavero, Patricia Moran, and Carlen Munn took part in Lafayette speaking contests.



Anthony Tirone, John Williams,
Patricia Garrison, Caroline Smolonski



Virginia Johns, Sandra Knight,
Eugene Dudzik, Joyce Fries, James
Corbett



Susie Bryant, Patricia Radner,
Patricia Dougherty, Ronald Scott



Katherine Havas, Nanette Hayes,
Mary Insalaca, Jeanne Hile, Jean
Hilliker



Marjorie McLaughlin, Patricia
Snell, Carol D'Arrigo, Joanne Mar-
cus, Frank Hill



Shirley Thomas, Elaine Zatorski,
James DeSalvo, Virginia Thompson,
Concetta Caccamo



Daniel Sieczkarski, Peter Moyer,
Gresela Schultz, Michael Alberti,
Dorothy Hunter



Roberta Short, Mary Quattrini,
Joyce Prather, Leroy Richie, Joyce
Paul



Marie Syracuse, Beatrice Cala-
brese, Lucy Castelluccio, Joseph
Mantion, James Castiglione



Sandra Falletta, Emile Grimaldi,
Frank Di Paoli, William Gardner, Mary
Ann Giaimo



Lucy Beaver, Betty Arnold, Mar-
garet Privitera, Gerry Gibbs, Anthony
Martino



Katie Bryant, Betty Murphy, Marion Campanella, Patricia Sharrer



Gerald Ryszka, Mary Kates, Sandra Scibetta, Gilbert Grant, Vance Vandermeij

Freshmen

Patricia Magavero, Katherine Havas, Camille Curro, Laurita Torrico, Yvonne Block, Kenneth Bunford, Sandra Faletta, led the first year honor roll.



Marjorie Palmer, Shirley Mc Dowell, Otis Miller, Clara Johnson, Marion Parker



Caroll Rieman, Mary Leone, Norma Langenbach, Dana Lewis, Henry Finch



Philip Davis, Richard Dispenza, Joan Prather, Freda Miller, Benny Marando, Delmar Shiloh



Kevin Swan, Rosella Tripi, David Zavarella, Barbara Symonds, Patricia Pietrzak



Charlene De Carlo, Barbara Auray, Anthony Del Gatto, Don Miller, Betty Lou Coletta



William Salter, Arthur Hall, Henry Nailor, Carl Cleague, Michael Murphy



Lucille Lo Vecchio, Ann Bonvisuto, Sharon Hammond, Charles Guarino



Rita Galvin, Ray Harper, Robert Pecoraro, Beverly Hall, Tyrone Mason



Joanne Aquilina, Ann Witcher, Joseph Merlo, John Hughes, Patrick McHugh

Freshmen

sponsored the assembly before the McKinley game. Two skits, written by Geraldine Porto and Amelia La Paglia showed freshmen girls representing quaking McKinley players and football heroes seeking strength at a milk bar.



Sam Nocera, Anthony Desimone, Edward Nikiel, Karen Bryan, Laurita Torrico



Sylvia Sayler, Roberta Thomas, Brenda Shearin, Dennis Spann, Roger Strother



Augusta Daniels, Marjorie Perkins, David Lawson, Patricia Walker, Don Murphy



Joyce Pecoraro, Esther Walten, Peter Parker, Sandra McWilliams, Marjorie Perkins



Judy Ivey, Linda Wooten, Ellen Gale Hogg, Evesand Hayes, James Schaffer



Amelia La Paglia, Helen Fleischer, Mary Ann Di Benedetto, Josephine Bertola, Carol Dixon



Judy Del Sordo, Pat Clark, Carole Taylor, Jean Sengbusch, Joanne Angelo



Barbara Rubino, Nancy Helenbrook, Roberta Pedrick, Patricia Guercio, Ignatius Miano



Daniel Di Rosa, Concetta Polizzi, Robert Maranto, Frank La Marca, Thomas Wyckoff



Gail Botticelli, Gloria Scinta, Lizzy Lewis, Myrtle Burroughs, Vincent Muf-foletto



Joan Novoa, Jude Giglio, Loretta Leone, Sandra Wood, Donna Erwin



Freshmen

boys of Room 102 made the spectacular sign, which stretched 22 feet, to show their eagerness that Lafayette beat East in the Thanksgiving game. Mr. Gott, Mr. William Mc Colgan, and Mr. Woods joined the freshmen in being interested in the pep assembly activities, November 21.



Diane Hager, Penny Prince, Frances McLean, Millie Harding



Margie Dames, Marilyn Cartil, Barbara Allshouse, Howard Davis, Kenneth Bunford



Yvonne Block, Brigitte Borrmann, Richard Scott, Frank Cecala, Guy Brown



Charles Benzo, Elaine Palame, Carol Furman, Sandra Termini, Thomas Evege



Robert Borman, Patricia Magavero, Wayne Taylor, Geraldine Porto, Patricia Smallwood



Philip Palumbo, John Schleer, Edward Foglia, John Nailor



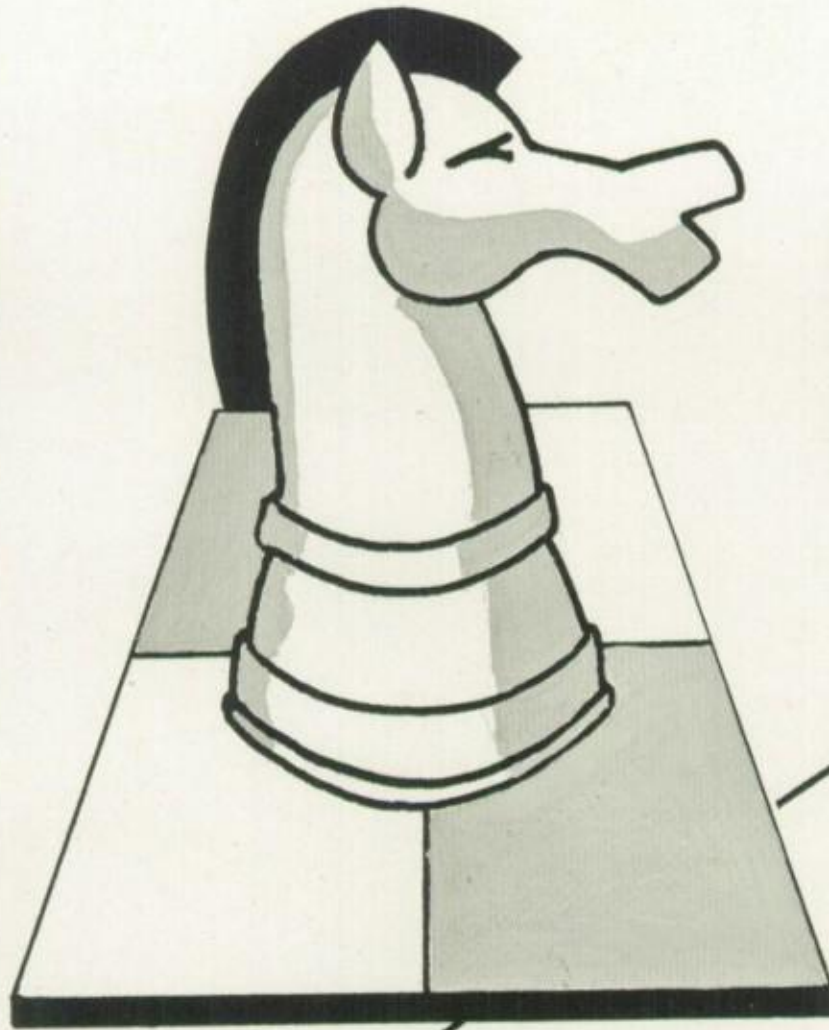
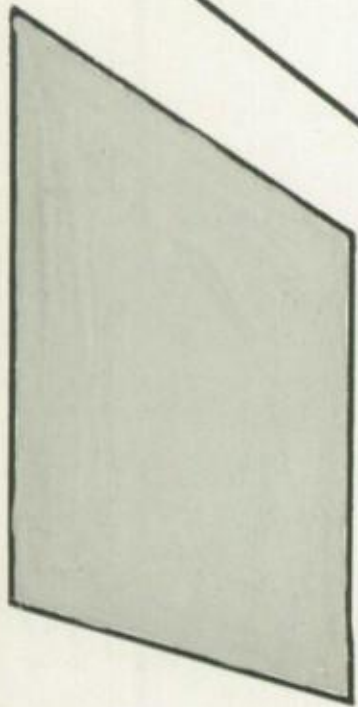
Michael Chauby, Judith Zaranski, Joanne Marcus, David Platter, Donald Simmons



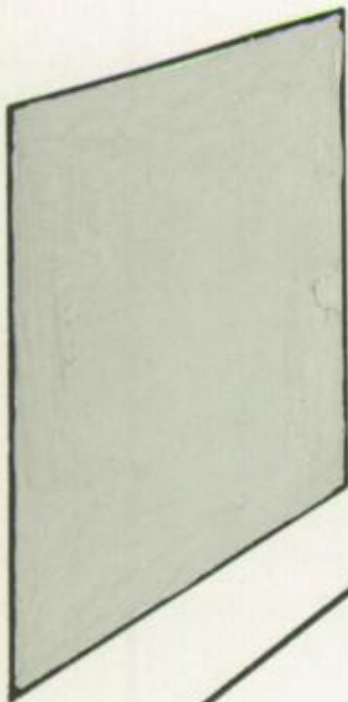
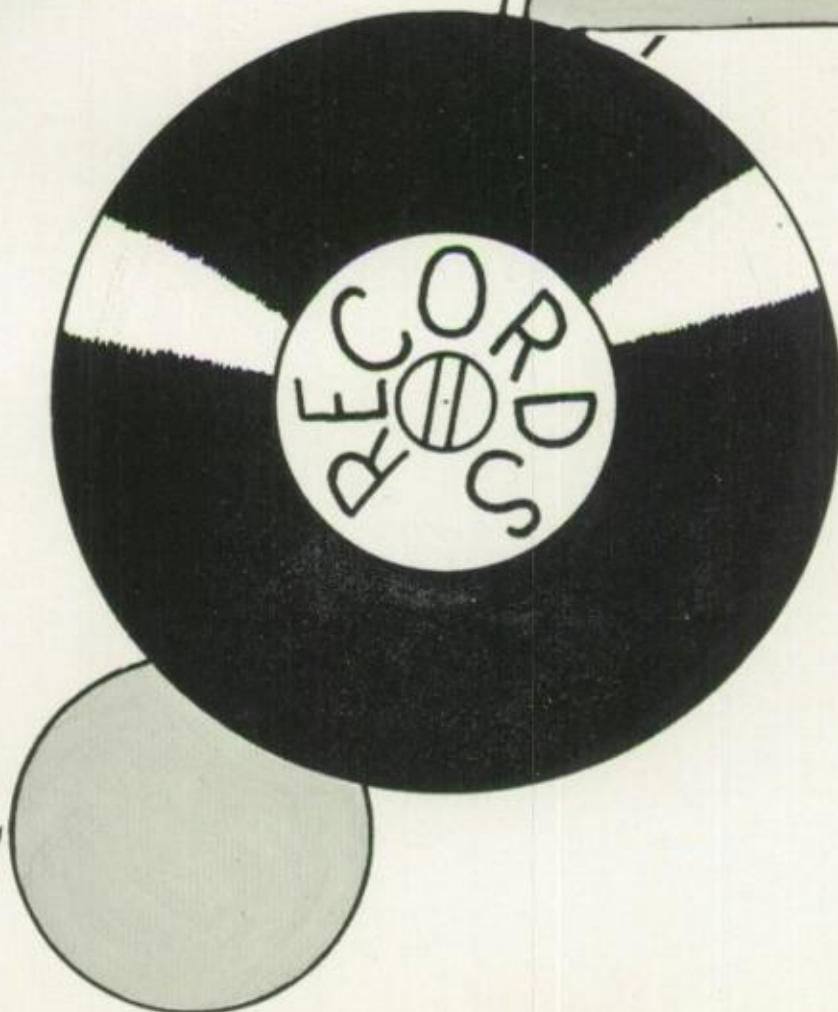
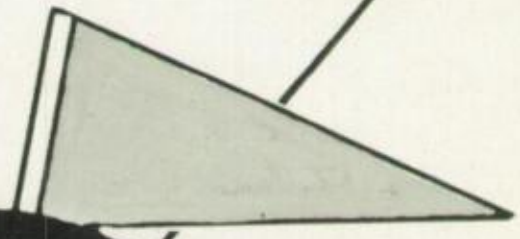
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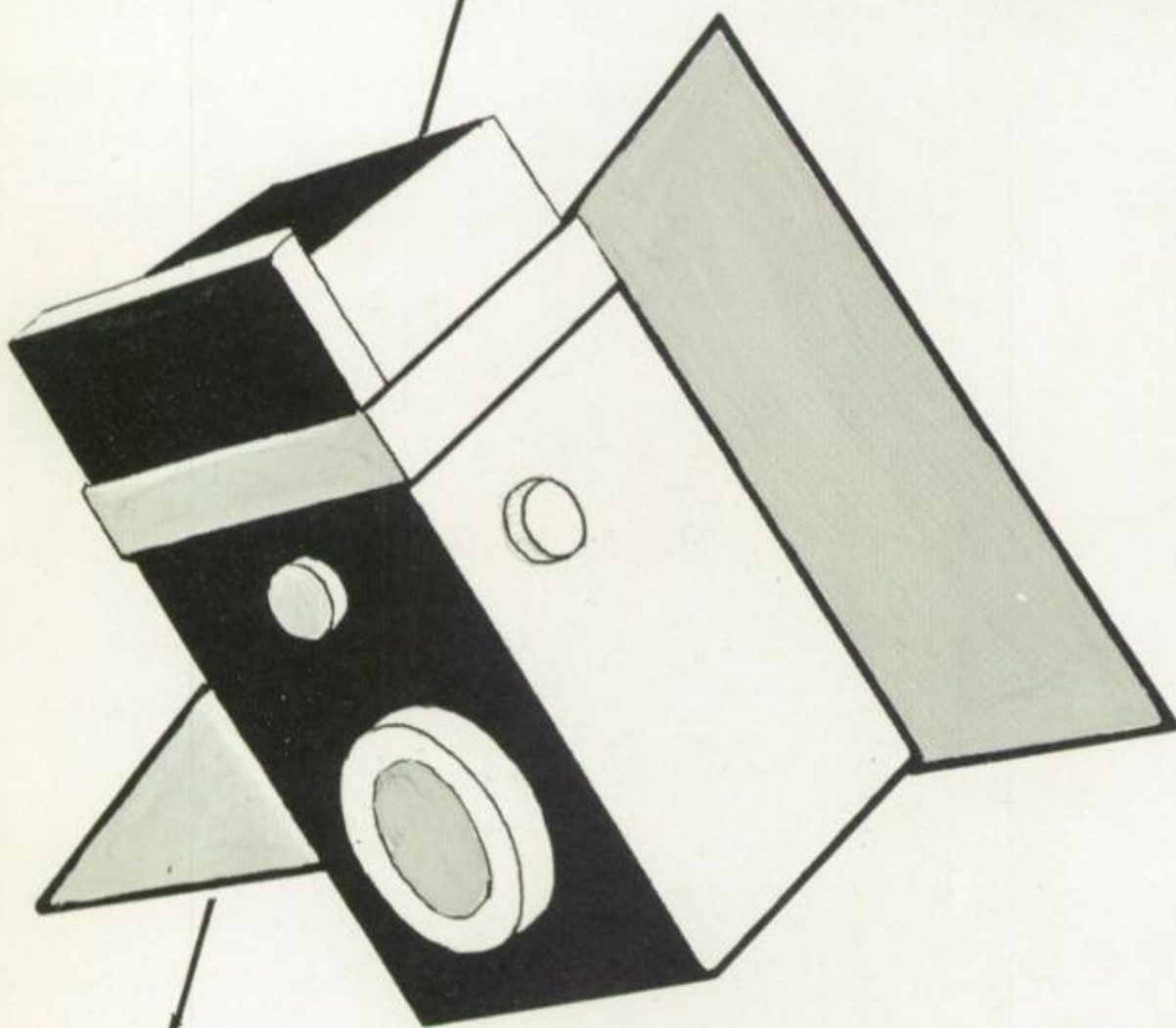
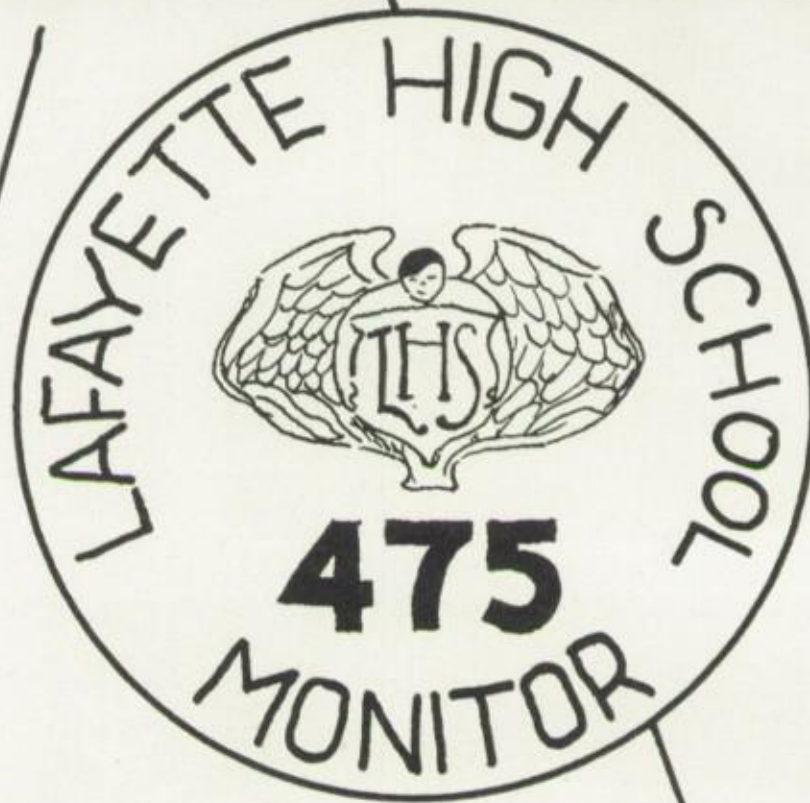
Robert King, Mary Ann Cracchiolo, Russell Pollino, Marie Ciocca, JoAnn Hoch



BEYOND a door lies an opportunity. It may be an opportunity for the one who passes through to enjoy music or science or good talk or a chance to help others. It may be an opportunity to meet new friends and to see again the old ones. Many step through this door to accept these opportunities in extra curricular activities.



Activities



PASCAL PRATT
DENNIS BORDEN

They Record History

THE 1956 staff began preparation of this ORACLE in the spring of 1955. In accordance with tradition they strove toward a new and better yearbook which would present school activities for the year 1955-56.

A constant pace was maintained as the staff strove toward the all important deadline, February 15, 1956. With Mr. Slate providing the tickets, Miss Reif collecting funds in the office, Mr. Fremy taking the pictures, and Mr. Svensson mounting them, the photographic end of the book was assembled. The literary staff, advised by Miss Croll, worked every sixth hour assigning quotations and recording events of interest. Under the guidance of Mr. Baranski, Mary Svensson and her art staff designed the attractive cover and division pages. The actual sale of the 1956 ORACLE



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ROW ONE: J. Zappia, S. Bova (chief circulation manager), J. Salatino

ROW TWO: F. Aquilina, G. Durham, C. Rackley, L. Sciolino



was directed by Sally Bova and her circulation staff, with Mr. McNamara as adviser.

A penny collection, the annual tag day, and an ORACLE sponsored Pop Concert at Kleinhans' Music Hall raised more than \$400 for this publication. These projects were made successful by the generous support of the students and faculty.

Many anxious hours were spent gathering information to be included in the yearbook before it was delivered to the William J Keller Company for printing. But it wasn't all work. There were times of fun and pleasure, too: the dance in the Mary Seaton Room which followed the Pop Concert and the wonderful dinner held at the home of Emmie Max. These are the moments the staff will always remember.

We are proud that the 1954 ORACLE captured the Buffalo Evening News trophy which was presented at the Western New York Interscholastic Press Association convention last spring. May we congratulate the staff of the winning book and hope the 1956 ORACLE will equal the standards of previous books?



IT'S FUN WINNING

M. Svensson, E. Max, J. D'Arrigo, C. Harrington admire the Western New York Interscholastic Press Association Trophy.

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ROW TWO: B. Pitts, Mr. Baranskj, L. Glassner, V. Battaglia, F. Gengo

CIRCULATION MANAGERS

ROW ONE: N. Abbey, D. Castelluccio, D. Martino
ROW TWO: C. Koch, F. Noble, J. Busalachi





ORACLE SALESMEN (ABOVE)

ROW ONE: R. Lindbeck, S. DiPaolo, C. Grifasi, M. Zanghi, D. Humphreys, P. MacEwan, J. Desimone, B. Novaro, K. Kolz, M. Bradley
 ROW TWO: S. Falletta, E. Hill, J. Holder, C. Curro, K. Havas, M. Curto, B. Reed, J. Ellis, E. Zatorski, J. Crittsinger
 ROW THREE: K. Snyder, F. D'Arrigo, P. DiMaggio, R. Dugan, M. J. Popielarski, B. Schierstein, G. Shultz, A. Tirone, E. Lagattuta

TRIANGLE SALESMEN (BELOW)

ROW ONE: N. Kellam, E. Grant, C. Wright, E. McCray, G. Livingston, J. Moree, L. Castelluccio, D. Smith, L. Bentley
 ROW TWO: B. DeMarco, L. Touico, M. Sperrazza, M. Leone, C. Todoro, J. DeVine, P. Marconi, A. Iacono, K. Green
 ROW THREE: M. Alberti, E. Kilian, G. Logan, J. A. Reeves, E. Constantino, D. Clark, D. Clark, J. Conley, M. Baker, J. Hughes



It Informs, Entertains

ALMOST all students pay ten cents periodically to see themselves and their friends in the school paper, THE TRIANGLE. They turn first to the picture page, "The Inquiring Reporter," or "Fads and Fashions." Perhaps they comment about the interesting art work, like the calendar marking special days. They smile at the paired names and song titles. The first issue, the Halloween number, sold more than 800 copies.



M. Walters, C. Grifasi, P. Butts, and S. Gray, congratulate each other as they look over the first issue of the LAFAYETTE TRIANGLE.

TRIANGLE STAFF

ROW ONE: N. Panepinto, C. Grifasi, P. Butts (editor-in-chief), M. Walters, J. Zappia
ROW TWO: C. DiSalvo, P. Lucore, R. Brannan, P. Teresi, S. Gray, A. LiPome

TRIANGLE STAFF

ROW ONE: B. Vails, C. Vastola, S. Loiacono, R. Groundwater, J. Cicero, S. Di Paolo, J. Perla, J. Brown, J. Mc Clure, N. MacLeod, M. Salvati
ROW TWO: B. Salvati, A. D'Auria, J. Curto, J. Mangano, D. Borzilleri, C. Martin, J. Tirone, M. Pollino, R. Tirone, J. Jones, E. Zatorski, P. Carter
ROW THREE: D. McHenry, J. Alongi, I. Bronzino, P. Marconi, R. Fiorella, P. Meredith, D. Sugarman, T. Reilly, R. M. Vara





STUDENT COUNCIL

ROW ONE: M. Thomas, P. Noah, P. Caito (treasurer), J. Reid (vice president), A. Campanella (president), Mr. Rentz, J. Quadrone (secretary), D. Losi, S. Concardi, M. MacLeod, R. Cipriano
ROW TWO: P. Magavero, G. Muscarella, E. Merrifield, J. Hopper, S.

Hammond, P. Smallwood, P. Meredith, D. Smith, L. Wooten, C. D'Arrigo, M. Aiello, P. Dolan, C. Battaglia, N. Griffo.

ROW THREE: D. Reid, F. Di Paolo, J. Buffomante, N. Crane, M. Zatorski, S. McCarthy, L. Balsdon, J. Schulz, C. Arnold, P. Geise, H. Nailor.

Students Work for Good Government

JOHN SCHULZ and Janet D'Arrigo were crowned king and queen of the Sweetheart Swing Dance, sponsored by the Student Council, in the Lafayette gym, Friday night February 3. Janet was crowned by Mr. Arvid Svensson, father of Mary Svensson; John, by Mr. Frank R. Gott, former principal of Lafayette.

Then John pushed Janet on the red and white swing

as approximately 200 students and teachers sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." A net of red and white balloons was released over the scene.

Juliette McClure and Grace Muscarella placed second and third for the outstanding senior girls; Harry Smith and Tony Stashak for the boys.

Barbara Navaro received the prize for the prettiest costume, a soft blue dress of the Civil War period; Alberta Locket, for the funniest, a clown with the face of a witch. Patricia Moran's costume was judged most unusual. She was dressed as a pink elephant, with a mask of her own creation. The best waltzing couple were Joyce Stanley and Benjamin Bell.



J. Schulz, G. Livingston, J. Mitrey, A. Stashak discuss the duties and problems of monitor captains who should keep students out of the halls during class time, direct strangers who visit the school, and make themselves generally useful.



MONITORS

ROW ONE: J. Bandinelli, J. Catania, J. Brent, B. Bates, J. Buffomonte, R. Brannan, P. Carter, R. Aronica, S. Alioto, M. Aiello
ROW TWO: C. Chorey, R. Bodami, D. Barker, R. Behr, S. Churchill,

J. Bloom, V. Battaglia, C. Andrus, F. Aquilina, A. Campanella
ROW THREE: S. Barker, C. Card, V. Catanzaro, I. Bronzino, L. Balsdon, P. Alff, H. Catalano, J. Brown, C. Burks

Carroll Geiger and his four piece band provided the music.

"Any of the youngsters who stayed away really missed something," remarked Mr. Hayes. "It's the most colorful dance I've attended."

The Student Council again sponsored the Christmas Fund. From generous gifts, the school gave \$50 to the Good Fellows Fund, \$30 to the March of Dimes, \$30 to the Muscular Dystrophy Fund, \$30 to Cerebral Palsy Fund, and \$20 to Boys' Town.

A "Beat East" tag sale, a skating party, and a sock hop dance, provided a good time for many and money for the school fund.

The twelve senior representatives and a representative from all other homerooms helped

with these projects.

The cafeteria looks much better through the efforts of new cafeteria monitors. Such monitors were recommended by the Student Council to promote more self government and relieve teachers. Those chosen helped to keep order during lunch hours, to encourage students to pick up all their wrappings, and to see that students stayed in the basement.



L. Balsdon, C. Chorey, S. Gray, M. Hughes, E. Spear are illustrative of busy monitors. In the office they arrange endless cards, answer the telephone, or carry messages and even lunches. In the library they check books and students.



MONITORS (ABOVE)

MONITORS (BELOW)

ROW ONE: P. Doherty, H. Flynn, S. Gray, B. Hill
 ROW TWO: P. Dolan, R. Conta, C. Hile, R. Dugan, J. D'Arrigo, R. Elliott, J. Gugino, D. Hergert, V. Colonna
 ROW THREE: V. DiPaolo, E. DeColibus, B. Harding, J. Curto, J. Conley, L. Foster, G. Hemphill, C. Goodwin, F. Gengo, R. Gist
 ROW FOUR: W. Hilliker, R. Gullo, R. Palma, R. Fiorella, F. D'Arrigo, D. Clark, F. Cirrito, S. Garrasi

ROW ONE: P. McCorkindale, G. Muscarella, M. Kozlowski, M. Logan, A. LiPome
 ROW TWO: M. Hughes, J. Martin, R. LoGalbo, C. LoTempio, C. La Barbera, A. Nawrocki, G. Livingston, N. Panepinto, P. Menno
 ROW THREE: J. Miranda, R. Locke, J. Moore, D. King, J. Lee, D. Humphreys, C. Liddell, E. Palome, G. Logan
 ROW FOUR: M. Mohler, V. Holmes, L. Lauria, G. Hipple, J. Pepinski, M. Mogavero, J. McClure, C. Holden, B. Novaro





MONITORS (ABOVE)

ROW ONE: S. Secord, V. Seaborn, D. Young, C. Rieman, M. Walters, E. Sim
 ROW TWO: J. Tirone, G. Vella, J. Schulz, J. Pecoraro, A. Stashak, M. Svensson, P. Smallwood, B. Riley, C. Spina
 ROW THREE: E. Spear, J. Reeves, P. Relation, M. Zatorski, J. Zappia, J. Quadrone, R. Tirone, E. Peterson, J. Parlato, D. Sugarman, R. M. Tontillo
 ROW FOUR: T. Reilly, P. Pratt, R. Vara, J. Reid, J. Zambito, R. Stashak, H. Smith, J. Shepherd, I. Stickle, P. Sucato
 ROW FIVE: P. Teresi, T. Thomas, C. Walker

CAFETERIA WORKERS (BELOW)

ROW ONE: W. Davis, J. Briggs, M. Bradley, M. Lott, B. Turley, G. Daley
 ROW TWO: D. Turley, C. Webb, P. Smallwood, C. Cummings, E. Taylor, D. Peterson, D. Zwetsch, E. Hill, J. Parker
 ROW THREE: J. Rainey, C. Walker, J. Moore, M. Ciocca, G. Scinta, S. Thomas, C. Cleague, C. Andrus, L. Odom, M. Rich, D. Clark





LAFAYETTE GIRLS' HI-Y (above)

ROW ONE: J. Ricciardelli (adviser), D. Castelluccio (sergeant-at-arms), F. Aquilina (treasurer, secretary of Downtown Hi-Y Branch Council), A. Campanella (vice president, vice president of Downtown Hi-Y Branch Council, secretary of Buffalo Area Hi-Y Council), J. D'Arrigo (president), M. Aiello (secretary), J. Busalachi (chaplain), L. Castelluccio

ROW TWO: D. Grabbit, P. Burns, J. Desimone, I. Vinti, M. Syracuse, K. Schamberg, J. Conley, J. Salatino

ROW THREE: M. Baker, D. Clark, M. Campanella, C. Curro, L. Thomas, P. Naylor, J. Leuze, E. King

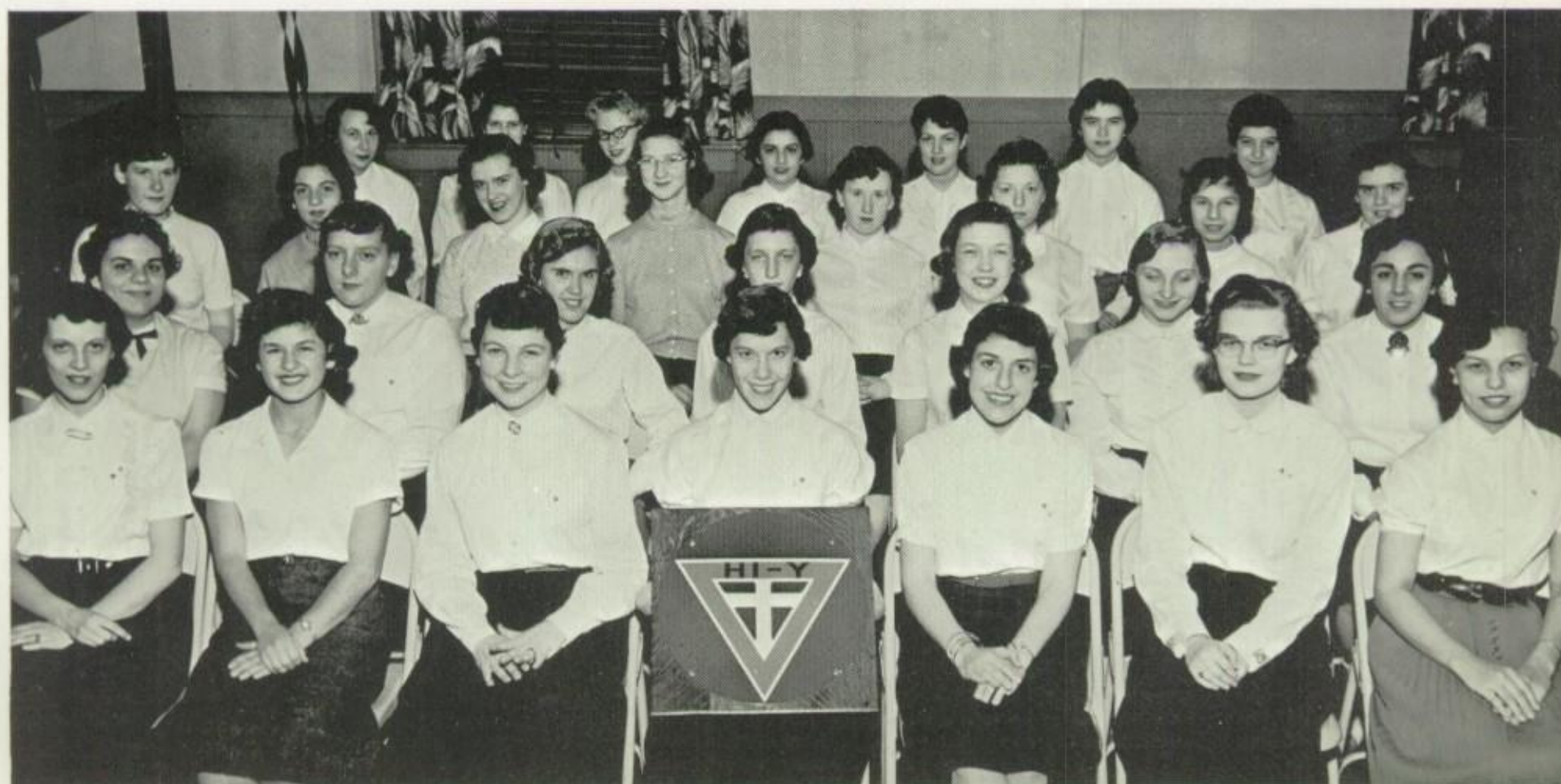
HE IOTA PFE HI-Y (below)

ROW ONE: B. Hull (sergeant-at-arms), J. Bandinelli (treasurer), G. Muscarella (president), C. Holden (vice president, president of Downtown Hi-Y Branch Council), B. Novaro (secretary) J. Brent (chaplain), R. Aronica (corresponding secretary)

ROW TWO: J. Parlato, J. Kuhns, D. Gibson, B. De Marco, J. Devine, E. Max, A. M. Marranca (adviser)

ROW THREE: S. Watson, L. Polizzi, K. Titterington, C. Kessler, M. Baker, M. Parrino, J. Gugino, S. Pates

ROW FOUR: S. Lucas, C. Mellott, N. Crane, P. Magavero, L. Lucas, C. Todoro, S. Falletta



Y's Develop Spirit, Mind and Body

"TO create, maintain, and extend, throughout our home, school, and community, high standards of Christian character," is the pledge of Lafayette students who are members of Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y, He Iota Pfe, and Lambda Beta Psi.

LAFAYETTE GIRLS' HI-Y Janet D'Arrigo, Adeline Campanella, and Francine Aquilina represented the Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y at the annual Youth and Government Program in Albany. Their bill, recommending physical examination for all drivers, went through committees, was debated in the Senate, and was passed. Some 250 bills were submitted and about 20 were passed.

The members of Lafayette Girls' Hi-Y had charge of the weekly changing of the bulletin board in center hall. They sponsored a dance February 11. A can of food was the price of admission. This canned food was sent abroad.

HE IOTA PFE HI-Y Girls of He Iota Pfe have kept "Lafayette High School in the News," the new scrap book to be found in the library. Into it, they have pasted newspaper pictures and articles about Lafayette.

At Thanksgiving they used money made by a hayride to provide dinners for two families; in December they sold Christmas paper to make money for the Mother-Daughter Banquet in May.

Carole Holden and Joan Gugino attended the Youth and Government Program in Albany.

LAMBDA BETA PSI The newly organized Lambda Beta Psi spent much time first semester forming a constitution. They were aided by Tech Alpha Hi-Y. They conducted a membership drive to attract sophomore and freshmen boys.

It was quite an occasion when the entire club was inducted at the North Delaware YM, January 30.

Members of all three groups speak of the success of joint meetings at which they danced and ate.



"Albany here we come," is the motto of F. Aquilina, A. Campanella, J. D'Arrigo (only half visible), K. Burke, as they await their train's arrival.

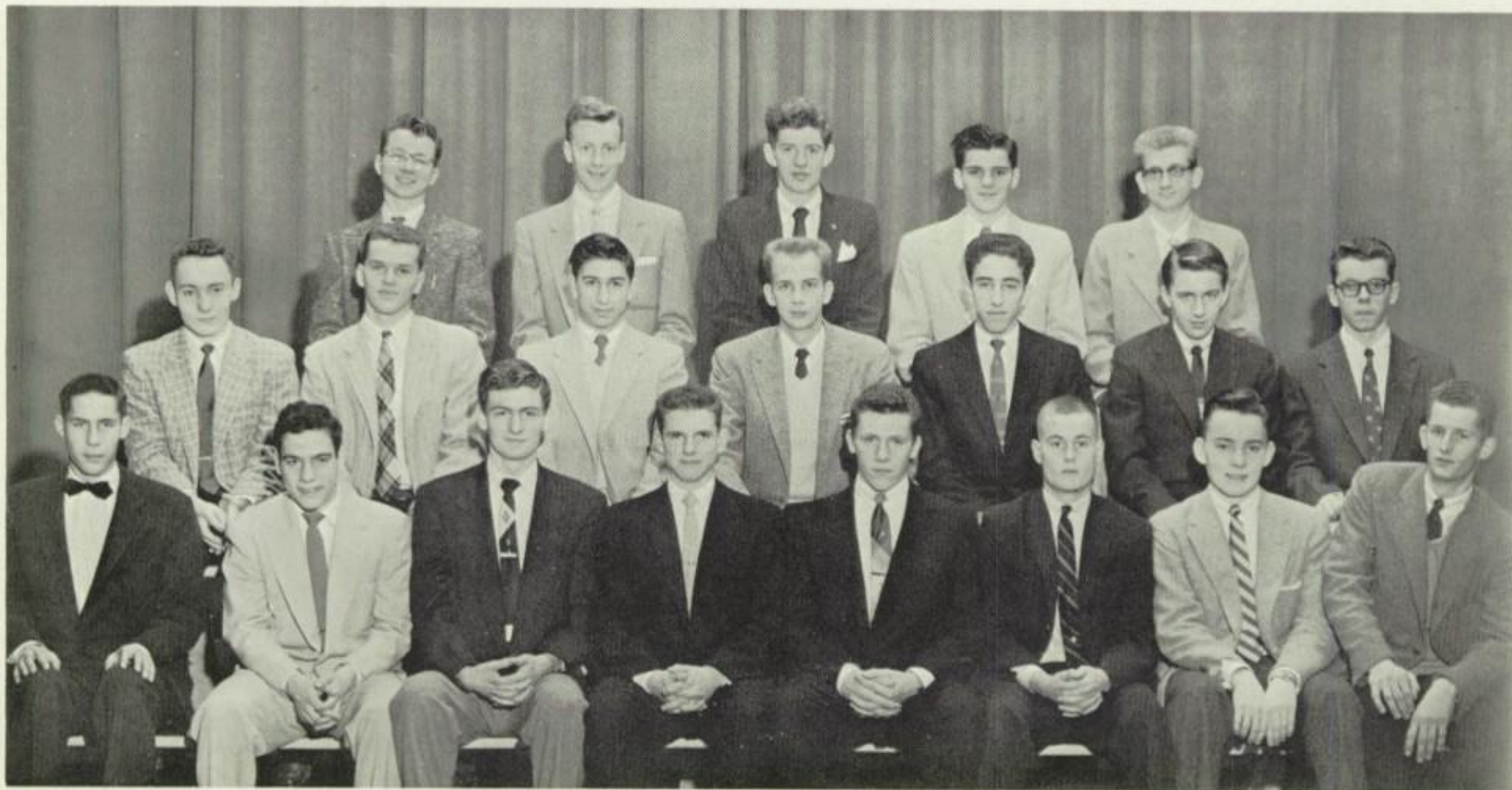


J. Gugino, J. D'Arrigo, C. Holden relax after tramping the capital and assuming the responsibilities of legislators.

LAMBDA BETA PSI HI-Y

ROW ONE: P. Geise (chaplain), R. Trigilio (treasurer), J. Peplinski (vice president), G. Hipple (president), C. Card (recording secretary), G. Livingston (parliamentarian), G. Cogdell (corresponding secretary), D. Mc Henry (sergeant at arms)

ROW TWO: F. Cogdell, P. Keller, S. Balone, J. Schulz, N. Sillitto, D. Hergert, J. Alongi
ROW THREE: D. Hochvert, P. Hammond, W. Hilliker, P. Dolan, H. Hafner



Music Adds Color



The music department's accompanists, Ruth McClelland and Cynthia Lawson, listen attentively as Aram Carapethyan plays a command performance. Before or after school an admiring group often gathers around the piano in the auditorium to hear him practicing Chopin's "Polonaise." Aram, who comes from Persia, is new to Lafayette.

LAFAYETTE'S music department showed its true spirit at the Christmas Assembly, Wednesday December 21. A 28 piece orchestra played "Spirit of St. Louis," as the student body marched into the assembly, and "At Christmastide" later in the program. This is the school's first orchestra in three years. Marcia Bradley is concert master. The mixed chorus entertained by singing "O Holy Night," "Deck the Halls," and "Glory to God in the Highest," the last composed by Mrs. Williams' Mother. "Christmas Star," "The First Noel," and "White Christmas" were sung by the Glee Club.

People at Lafayette and outside have heard the choruses. The Glee Club and the Mixed Chorus sang on Parents' Night and at the Plan-the-Future-of-Lafayette meeting. On Christmas Eve listeners to the Young Crowd Show heard them present Christmas songs, with Geneva Bailey, Rosalie Pelliteri, and Garth Schultz singing solo parts.

When the Buffalo State Teachers' College Band played in assembly, they pointed out Robert Stashak as one of the best high school musicians. They called him to the platform to direct.

ORCHESTRA

ROW ONE: M. Bradley, M. Zatorski, L. Torrico, E. Hill, B. Pitts, C. Mellott, P. Trotter, B. Symonds

ROW TWO: N. Langenbach, C. Todoro, S. Harley, J. Sengbusch, A. Grillo, P. McCorkindale, R. Cleague, F. Di Paolo, C. Pezzino, V. Van-

dermey, P. Geise, R. Locke, P. Palumbo, R. Stashak

ROW THREE: Mrs. Williams, C. Cummings, R. McClelland, L. Plant, E. M. Merrifield, A. Schabo, L. Lauria, A. Maraschiello, A. Nawrocki



to School Activities

The band appeared in assemblies in the fall, playing for the singing of football songs.

A new group, the Record Club, was formed this fall to listen to records. The students bought new records with the club dues and even danced a little in the corridor outside Room 308.

Mrs. Williams has worked tirelessly to urge all students with talent to join the musical organization.

Furthermore she led assembly singing. One time students under her direction practiced the alma mater song, all together, then each class in turn. Perhaps with practice, they will some time remember the second stanza.

Our kinships here will soon be ended,
And into life we'll make our way;
Our friendships here will all be severed,
And fade as does the dying day.
Yet what in life be fate or fortune,
The ties of White and Violet,
Will keep us loyal and devoted,
To thee, our Lafayette.



Lafayette's quartet, composed of four seniors, Pat Pratt, Emmie Max, Phil Geise, and Pete Keller, first appeared in the Christmas program singing "Home for the Holidays." In preparation they spent many hours transposing, arranging, and rehearsing. With Mr. Hayes' encouragement, what would have been a trio became a quartet.

BAND

ROW ONE: P. Geise, M. Murphy, V. Vandermey, D. Clark, A. Grillo, R. Stashak, F. DiPaolo

ROW TWO: Mrs. Williams, R. McClelland, L. Plant, D. Murphy, L. Lauria, R. Finnis, C. Walker, N. Langenbach





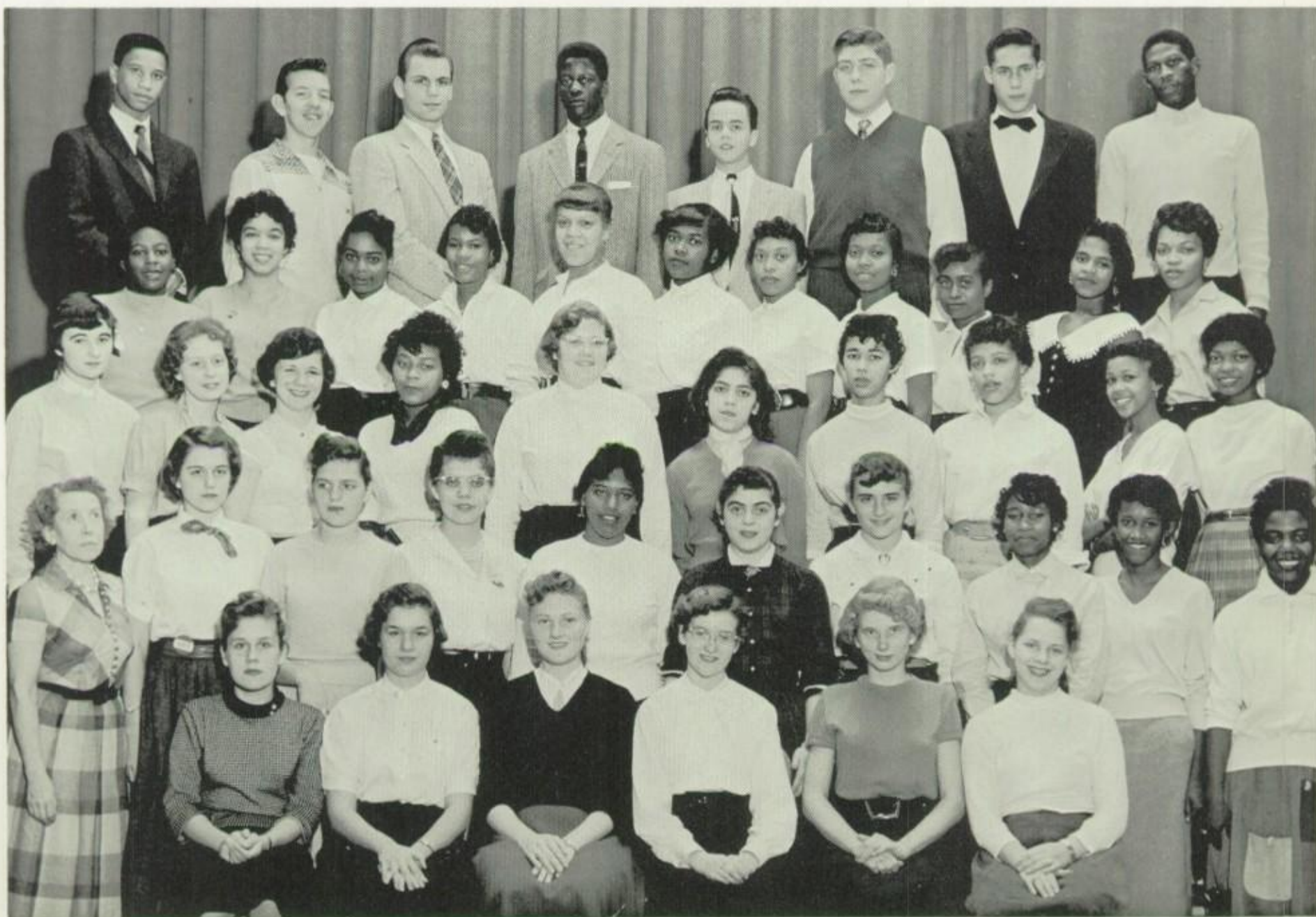
GLEE CLUB

SEATED: C. Lawson, R. McClelland
 ROW ONE: Mrs. Williams, G. Bailey, R. Thomas, B. Tobias, J. Sengbusch, S. Harley, P. Trotter, B. Braun
 ROW TWO: J. Zaranski, R. Pellitieri, D. Heintzman, E. Merrifield, R. Searone

CHORUS

ROW ONE: D. Parker, K. Schamberg, M. Ditchko, E. Merrifield, D. O'Neil, C. Morris
 ROW TWO: Mrs. Williams, C. Lawson, C. Lloyd, N. Briggs, J. Moore, R. Grimm, P. Dougherty, D. Faust, C. Kennedy, S. Hinds
 ROW THREE: B. Reed, P. Lucore, J. Alair, D. Turner, R. Behr, G.

Prime, B. Tobias, A. Bell, J. Reed, P. Trotter
 ROW FOUR: T. Archie, J. Jefferson, D. Turley, D. Williams, M. Rogers, A. Davis, P. Carter, B. Vails, M. Webster, C. Johnson, L. Foster
 ROW FIVE: C. Walker, R. Pauley, A. Nawrocki, R. Gist, P. Palumbo, G. Shultz, P. Geise, W. Hemphill





RECORD CLUB

STANDING: V. Seaborn (sergeant-at-arms), R. Lindbeck (secretary), L. Glassner (program chairman), S. DiPaolo (president)

ROW ONE: P. Naylor, R. Elliott, N. Habeeb, E. Kilian, P. Paone, C. Martino, C. Cleague

ROW TWO: C. Wing, J. Grissom, R. Cleague, B. Cleague, K. Scham-

berg, B. Reed, B. Braun, L. MacEwan

ROW THREE: R. Bailey, J. DiPaolo, R. Diamond, P. Prince, V. Swygert

STANDING: Mrs. Williams

They Step and Swing

THE biggest thrill came when the baton twirlers went through their routines before the many spectators at the Thanksgiving Day game. The girls practiced every morning at 8 o'clock in the fall, under the direction of Jean Cicero and Carol Grimm. They appeared in assembly and at other games, sometimes with Tony Maraschiello's drum accompaniment.

BATON TWIRLERS

ROW ONE: J. Cicero, C. Grimm

ROW TWO: C. Morris, J. Vignerl, B. Braun, C. Northrup

ROW THREE: M. Ellithorpe, C. Andrus, C. Lloyd, F. Buseck, V. Wagner





JUNIOR RED CROSS

ROW ONE: R. Caylor, J. Russo, M. J. Popielarski, C. Wing, A. Davis, M. Mogavero (treasurer), M. Parrino (chairman), P. Carter (secretary), M. Baker, P. McCorkindale, D. Heintzman

ROW TWO: J. Zaranski, B. Hall, J. Falzone, J. Bandinelli, C. Har-

ington, J. Leuze, S. Falletta, D. Dobrindt, S. Saunderson, C. Spina

ROW THREE: R. Tirone, M. Campanella, G. Hemphill, R. Harper, D. Lee, P. Palumbo, J. Zambito, C. Vastola, J. Miranda

They Served

THE work of the Red Cross at the Cleveland Hill fire was shown on a film at the assembly sponsored by the Red Cross. Marlene Parrino presided. She introduced Barbara Butts, president of the Kensington Junior Red Cross, who told the history of the Junior Red Cross movement, announced that the Lafayette group sent 25 gift boxes to children overseas, and asked all students to contribute 10 cents to become members. The Lafayette group, which meets the second Wednesday of each month, has a representative from each home room. Miss Tehan is the adviser.

Jayne Miranda and Philip Polumbo are Lafayette's representatives to the city wide council.

They Pondered

MR. AXLEROD plays chess, too. He even allowed a board to be set up in his office for awhile so that Roger Elliott could come in between classes to make a move. Then Mr. Axlerod presently made his move.

About a dozen students played chess each Thursday and Friday afternoon. Often the contestants made notes, studied the notes to see how the plays could have been improved, and replayed the game. Sometimes students played a series of games. Occasionally one person played several games at one time. The freshmen showed great enthusiasm for chess.



CHESS CLUB

SEATED: S. Lucas, P. Upchurch, D. Dobrindt (secretary), R. Elliott (president), G. Fitzgerald (treasurer), A. Ward, M. Zuffoletto

STANDING: R. Geise, C. Keuker, D. Hochvert, Y. Block, P. Hammond, R. Groundwater, J. Curto, S. Saunderson, D. Platter, P. Bonito, J. DiPaolo



JUNIOR COUNCIL ON WORLD AFFAIRS

ROW ONE: L. Sanchez, M. Pollino, R. Annibale, L. Glassner (vice president), J. DeVine (president), D. Losi (secretary), B. DeMarco, J. Annibale, D. McHenry

ROW TWO: R. Lindbeck, C. Wing, J. Tirone, C. Lawson, S. DiPaolo, S. Lucas, J. Bandinelli, J. Catania, R. Tirone

They Projected

THIRTY some people, including for the first time three girls, help Lafayette to painless learning. The projection crew, under the direction of Miss Julia Stall, show about three hundred films a year ranging from the cultural KING RICHARD II through DAVID COPPERFIELD to cartoons on the stock exchange. The most popular films present history and science for freshmen, novels for English classes, or perhaps the federal reserve system for American history. The announcement of a movie in any class is greeted with rejoicing. This could be due either to the fact that there is no formal class during a movie or that the students really enjoy and learn something from the films.

PROJECTION CREW

ROW ONE: J. Poole, L. Sanchez, E. Nikiel, T. Reilly, A. Nawrocki, G. Hipple, D. Hochvert, J. Harrington

ROW TWO: C. Welling, L. Glassner, G. Murray, J. Mantioni, C. Todor, P. Teresi, P. Palumbo, H. Hafner, D. Hergert

ROW THREE: R. Randazzo, E. Constantino, C. Pezzino, D. Hager, J. Guerico, P. Hammond, J. Peplinski, J. Bong



They Discussed

FIVE Lafayette students went as delegates to represent Denmark at the eighth annual United Nations' Model Assembly at State Teachers' College on April 14, 1956. Its purpose is to discuss United Nations problems. On the agenda were the Arab Israel disputes, technical assistance program, and colonial problems. In preparation the students heard Lise Neilsen, a native of Denmark, speak of her country and at the December meeting they ate Danish Christmas cookies.

The Junior Council on World Affairs in school meets bimonthly under Miss Stall's direction. Students discuss such problems as racial discrimination and the Geneva Conference.



SPEAKING CONTESTANTS

STANDING: B. Bates

ROW ONE: L. Richie, S. Concardi, P. Moran, J. Annibale, J. Perla, D. McHenry

ROW TWO: P. Magavero, J. Gugino, P. Alff, T. Evege, T. Reilly, K. Havas

These students often came to school before 8 A. M. to practice with Miss Wechter for their public appearances.

CONTESTS

GIRLS' DECLAMATION

Bernice Bates won first place at Lafayette with her speech "The Happy Prince" by Oscar Wilde.

VOICE OF DEMOCRACY

Bernice Bates placed first at Lafayette with her original speech, "I Speak for Democracy;" Tom Reilly, third in the city with his original speech of the same title.

AMERICAN LEGION

Tom Reilly won first place at Lafayette with his original speech "The Constitution-Our Guard," and second in the county.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Katherine Havas came in first at Lafayette with the speech she wrote, "Threats to Freedom and How to Meet Them."

These Be Our Offerings

APPROXIMATELY 950 students gather at least once a week for assembly to be brought up to date on school affairs and watch varied programs.

At the beginning of each assembly students act as flag bearers and lead the pledge to the flag. A girl from the Student Council reads the prayer. The audience then sings the "Star Spangled Banner."

Sometimes student speakers competed in contests. On one occasion Mr. Lloyd Olsen from Erie County Technical Institute demonstrated with liquid air, temperature 350 degrees below zero. That day Mr. Axelrod provided a white carnation which was frozen to a crisp. Paul Alff, Ruth Ward, Garth Shultz, Joan Devine, Josephine Tirone, Janice Swan, Roy Langenbach participated in a program to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the United Nations. Often Mr. Axelrod called students to the platform to be recognized for high honor roll standing, as potential winners in a swimming meet, as victors in football, basketball, etc., as class or club officers, as award winners.

B. Hull, G. Muscarella, J. Kuhns, C. Kessler add some recent basketball news to Lafayette's scrapbook.

C. Arnold will lead the pledge to the flag.



FROM THE TOY SHOP

B. Braun, C. Grimm, S. Churchill, R. Bodami, C. Munn, Mr. Hayes rehearse for the toy shop number in the Christmas play. In Santa's workshop toys stood waiting and as a fairy touched them, they performed for the shopper and the audience.



Some assemblies are extra special. Such was the Christmas assembly directed by Mr. Hayes with grace Muscarella presiding. "The Littlest Angel" recited by Pat Magavero was the first of many highlights. Unusual was the singing in Arabic of "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" by Fifi Salih. Tom Reilly as Santa Claus, along with Rose Bodami, Carlen Munn and Carol Voas, gave a skit "The Night Before Christmas." "I'm Gettin' Nuttin' for Christmas" was Nafeesah Habeeb's tale of woe. At the very end Carlen Munn dragged on a rope to which was attached Bob Dugan, representing the new year.

For some occasions the students decorated the assembly elaborately in violet and white balloons and crepe paper streamers.

When the spotlight was just right, when the curtain was lowered at precisely the right moment, when a weak voice was amplified to be easily heard, the four prop men were at their accustomed positions. They helped make the program run smoothly.

All these activities did not get into print. When they did, the girls of He Iota Pfe clipped the accounts from the papers and pasted them neatly into the newly acquired scrap book.



Pat Magavero tells how the littlest angel gave the Christ child his box of treasures. God was pleased because they were of the earth and of men.

J. Peplinski, D. Hergert, W. Hilliker, H. Hafner prepare the stage equipment for an assembly.

M. Mogavero, J. Alongi let off steam while they decorate.





WHEN a door is only partly open and only a small portion of what lies behind can be seen, it then becomes an invitation. A person may be weak and timid but as soon as he opens a certain door, his life changes. He becomes forceful and strong; he succeeds with others where he never could alone, because he opened a door into the athletic world.

Athletics





To the march "Pomp and Circumstance" D. Sugarman, B. Riley, R. Ward, R. Tontillo, P. Lucore, M. Pollino, C. Crook advanced slowly up the aisle. Students decked out in violet and white bows, hats, vests and other accessories watched in awe. Special front center seats were occupied by members of the football team who wore carnations. This was the high point of the class sponsored assemblies.

Lift Your Voice to Lafayette!

LAFAYETTE had much to cheer about this year. Mr. Hayes helped the process by writing songs to be sung to familiar tunes. If Santa Claus had come to school as he suggested, we'd have had no assemblies to cheer at. But we did have assemblies and fifteen cheerleaders aroused considerable enthusiasm.

Sung to the Tune, "God Bless America"

God bless you, Lafayette,
Mother we love!
We will hail you,
Not fail you;
Purple, white,
Shining bright,
Wave above.

To your sons and
To your daughters
O'er the city, far and near
You are our shining light and beacon clear.
Guide us on through the night,
Our Mother dear!

CHEERLEADERS

W. Hilliker, A. Nawrocki, J. Alongi, M. Mogavero, C. DiSalvo, C. LaBarbera, C. Tomaselli



Shout 'til the Rafters Ring

Sung to the Tune "Buckle Down, Winsokie"

Buckle down, you Violets; buckle down.
Hemphill, Smith, Lo Tempio, you're the best
around;
Dugan, Martin, too, L.H. counts on you.
We will see you through. So buckle down.
Vara, King, La Marca, rip that line.
Reid, Mc Cray, Lo Galbo, you are doing fine.
This is our big year,
Stand 'em on their ear.
You're the team to fear
If you will only buckle down.
If you're right, the Violets go to town;
If you fight, L.H. will take the crown.
Buckle down, you Violets; buckle down.
Show the Orientals you're the best around.
When the Grid is greased,
We will make a feast
Out of poor old East, if you will only buckle
down!



Ruth Ward, Miss Victory of the 1955 Lafayette football team, was crowned by John Reid in assembly November 23. Barbara Riley and Daryl Sugarman, runners up, sat at the queen's right and left. The queen and her court were nominated by the top football players and chosen by the votes of students who bought tickets for the Lafayette East Thanksgiving Day game.

CHEERLEADERS

R. Aronica, J. McClure, A. Campanella, M. Ditchko, R. Bodami, T. Reilly, G. Cogdell, D. McHenry



Buck Lateral Pass on 2. 427 Reverse on 3.



DON KING, ALL AMERICAN

All-High Back

Senior

LAFAYETTE'S football team, which provided 8 players for the All High Squad, recorded five wins and one loss. Donald King was named halfback on Scholarship Magazine's All High Team.

Don King again gained a place on the local All High Team as did George Hemphill, end, and John Martin, guard. Hemphill was Don King's favorite target for passes. He made four touchdowns; on three passes he gained 81, 63 and 35 yards to go over for a score. Don King and George Hemphill were the only unanimous choices for All High. Martin, Lafayette guard and linebacker, was placed at center.

Dick Vara made second string back; Charles LoTempio, tackle, made honorable mention as did Roger Brannan at end, Bob Dugan at guard, and John La-Marca at back.



BIG DICK VARA

Wing Back

Senior



LITTLE DICK VARA

Right Guard

Senior



JOHN MARTIN

All-High Center

Senior

Yea
Football
Yea
Team



ROGER BRANNAN

Right End

Senior



CHUCK LO TEMPIO

Right Tackle

Senior



HARRY SMITH

Center

Senior



DICK LO GALBO

Left Tackle

Junior

48 Pass on 1. 327 Keep on 4. 76 Pass on 2.

In six games Lafayette's team scored an even 100 points against their opponents and had only 53 points scored against them. The Violets made an average of 190 yards per game and had 954 yards gained all season.

This season Donald King racked up 1,137 yards, 925 passing and 514 rushing. He completed 39 of 81 passes and had a rushing average of 7.8 yards. His total for two years, only 10 games, was 1849 yards gained. 51% or 73 of 143 passes were completed for 1214 yards gained. He gained 635 yards on 103 carries for an average of 6.2 yards.

Although there were individual stars, the team also played well together. The line men successfully provided holes for the backs to plow through. The blocking was excellent. The backs were alert for the opportunity to gain yardage.



BOB HICKEY
Line Coach

TONY DI ROSA
Coach

Rah Rah Football Team



CHUCK REID
Quarterback
Senior



JOHNNY LA MARCA
Fullback
Senior



JIM PEASELAND
Fullback
Sophomore



BOB DUGAN
Left Tackle
Sophomore



GEORGE LIVINGSTON
Right Guard
Senior



ALONZO BARNES
Right End
Junior



GEORGE HEMPHILL
All-High End
Senior

Football Schedule

September 24 LAFAYETTE 12 EMERSON 7

The Violets' star tailback, Don King, scored the first touchdown of the football season. George Livingston scored the second when he fell on a punt blocked by John La Marca.

October 1 LAFAYETTE 0 EAST 2

Lafayette was defeated only by East, defending champions. Lafayette held East scoreless for 3 3/4 periods of play until an East player tackled Don King for a safety.

October 15 LAFAYETTE 19 GROVER CLEVELAND 6

Don King passed for 161 yards and two touchdowns. Vara scored the third touchdown on a reverse.

October 22
LAFAYETTE WINS BY RIVERSIDE'S FORFEIT

With Don King out of action and South Park's forfeit putting Riverside on top of the league, Riverside beat Lafayette 13 to 0. Brannan was excellent in tailback posi-

tion although he had no practice. Lafayette later won by forfeit, putting the Violets on top of the league again.

October 29 LAFAYETTE 19 SOUTH PARK 0

With the team in full strength again, Lafayette smothered South Park. Recovering from a shoulder injury, Don King showed perfect form, by passing for a touchdown and extra points by running for another touchdown. Pease-land scored the last touchdown on a center plunge.

November 11 LAFAYETTE 44 MCKINLEY 13

Lafayette's defeat of the Macks gave them League 1 title. The Violets scored fast: by King in a four yard plunge, Chuck Reid on a one yard plunge, Vara on a 22 yard run, George Hemphill on a pass from King, John La-Marca from three yards out, Brannan on a pass from King, and LaMarca again by an interception return of 36 yards.

November 24 LAFAYETTE 6 EAST 12

East again won the Harvard Cup. LaMarca scored Lafayette's only touchdown on a three yard plunge. Don King electrified the stand by stepping around the Orientals for a 60 yard gain.

FOOTBALL SQUAD

ROW ONE: D. Borden, R. Winley, F. La Marca, R. Trigillio, H. Nailor, M. Maraschiello, R. Strother, F. Territo, R. Lo Tempio
ROW TWO: E. Constantino, B. Miranda, J. Mantione, E. McCray, R.

Carlisi, R. Whittaker, P. Terresi, T. Kidd, D. Humphreys, J. Zambito, R. Battaglia





ROW ONE: D. Sieczkarski, G. Brown, T. Mason, R. Borman, D. McHenry, T. Gamble, P. Hammond, C. Card, D. Flessa, E. Buseck, J. Konacki, K. Snyder, D. Hochvert

ROW TWO: M. Campe, C. Hile, P. Bonito, P. Moyer, Mr. Rogers, A. Ward, A. Cartone, F. LaMarca, M. Murphy, M. Maraschiello, S. Sucato, J. Bongi

Violet Splashers Battle Valiantly

"THERE are two types of swimming, the speed swimmers and the large group who learn to swim for survival," Mr. Rogers, swimming coach, said in assembly Thursday, January 19. At that time the swimming team was introduced before the first interscholastic meet.

The first group, the speed swimmers are important to a team. The strokes used are tiring and are of little use in life saving. The crawl stroke is the fastest. Arms, legs, and breathing have to be timed just right to make speed and win races. The back crawl stroke uses about the same kick as the crawl stroke on the stomach, the flutter kick. The most tiring is the racing breast stroke. The arms are used in a double over water recovery. The legs are not bent too much and the new kick is almost a flutter kick.

SWIMMING SCHEDULE

January	19	*Lafayette	28	Bennett	38
February	2	Lafayette	29	Riverside	37
February	9	Lafayette	25	Kensington	41
February	16	*Lafayette	26	South Park	39
February	23	Lafayette	26 1/2	East	39 1/2

*Denotes swimming meets at home.

THE Lafayette swimming trio, Charles Card, Phil Hammond, and Don Flessa, placed often in the season's matches but their triumphs and others' efforts were not always sufficient to win a meet.

In the first four events competitors receive 5, 3, or 1 point for first, second, or third respectively. In the seven events of each meet, Lafayette has placed as follows.

200 YARDS FREE STYLE

Dennis McHenry 3(L-B)*, 3(L-R)

100 YARDS BREAST STROKE

Phil Hammond 1(L-B), 1(L-R), Charlie Card 1(L-K)

100 YARDS FREE STYLE

Charles Card 1(59.8 seconds L-B), 1(L-R)

100 YARDS BACK STROKE

Don Flessa 1(1:12.2 seconds L-B), 1(L-R)

Dan Hochvert 3(L-B)

40 YARDS FREE STYLE

Tom Gamble 3(L-B)

Bob Pangborn 2(L-R)

120 YARDS MEDLEY RELAY

Flessa, Hammond, Card 1(L-B), 1(L-K)

Flessa, Hammond, S. Sucato 1(L-R)

C. Card, D. Flessa, P. Hammond were named to the All High Swimming Team.

*L-B= Lafayette-Bennett Meet; L-R= Lafayette Riverside Meet; L-K= Lafayette-Kensington Meet).

Violet Hoopsters Make Shots, Win Yale Cup

THE basketball team won 11 out of 11 games in the 1955-1956 season. Top scorers Alonzo Barnes, George Hemphill and Don King had practice with the 1954-1955 Yale Cup team. The fourth first team player was Eddie McCray; the fifth place was held by Robert Gist, Garland Moon and Gasper Ruggerio.

Lafayette outscored South Park 77-45 in a battle in which South Park did not score until the last 30 seconds of the first quarter. Alonzo Barnes scored 20 points; George Hemphill and Don King, both 19.

In winning over Seneca, Don King, Alonzo Barnes, and George Hemphill accounted for 54 points. Foul points won this game for Lafayette. Lafayette made 19 out of 32 foul shots; Seneca, 11 out of 20.

In the win over Burgard King was high man with 22 points. Burgard was outscored 45 to 15 in the second half with King making 10 points in 3 minutes, 53 seconds and

Hemphill, 4 points in 15 seconds.

At half time in the Lafayette-Kensington game the score was 28-24. Then Hemphill scored 13 points and blanked Kensington for 6 minutes. He was high with 26 points.

Barnes scored 24 points in the win over Mc Kinley. The game was dominated by King, Hemphill, and Barnes.

Alonzo Barnes, top scorer, made 11 of his 17 points in the first quarter in the Lafayette-Grover Cleveland game. King netted 14 points.

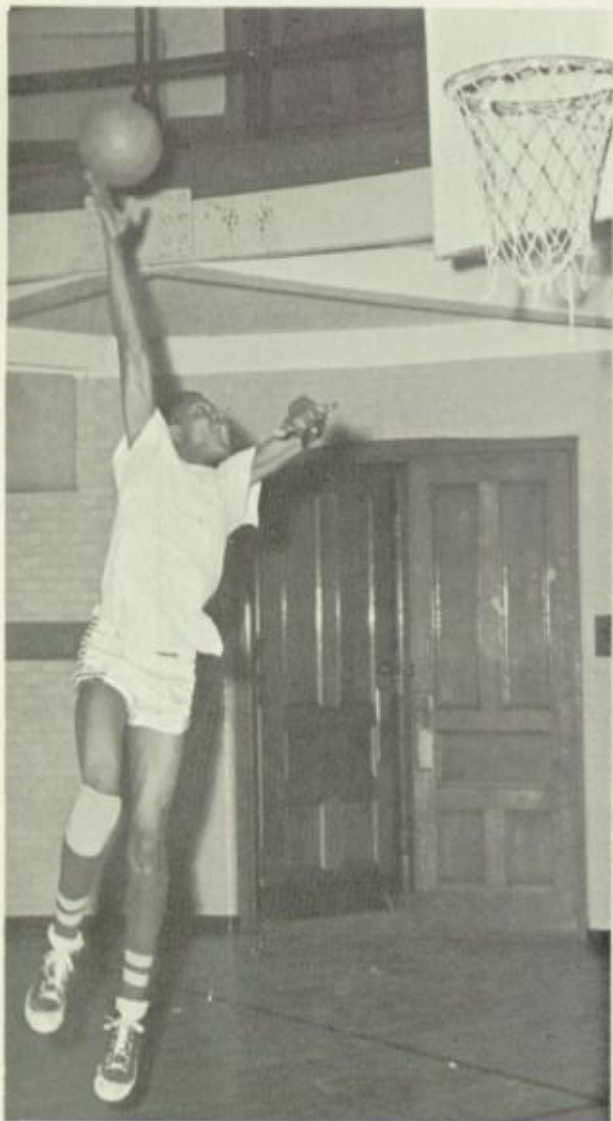
Wonderful jump shooting helped Lafayette defeat East, 70-60, and take the lead for the Yale Cup. The Violet team consistently led East. Toward the beginning of the second half, Lafayette was ahead 40-20. Hemphill gained 21 points.

BASKETBALL SQUAD

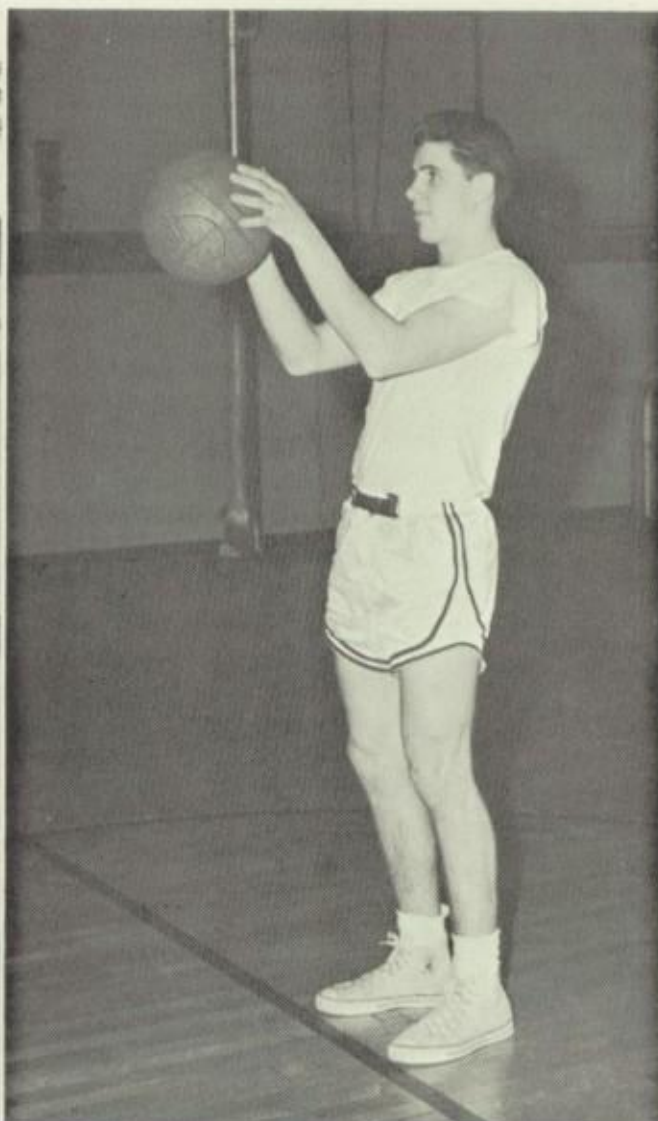
ROW ONE: G. Ruggiero, F. D'Arrigo, D. King, R. Gist, G. Hemphill, G. Moon, D. Kneitinger

ROW TWO: R. Brannan, A. Barnes, E. McCray, R. Scott, N. Sillitto, C. Broncato, E. Hampton, Mr. Whalley

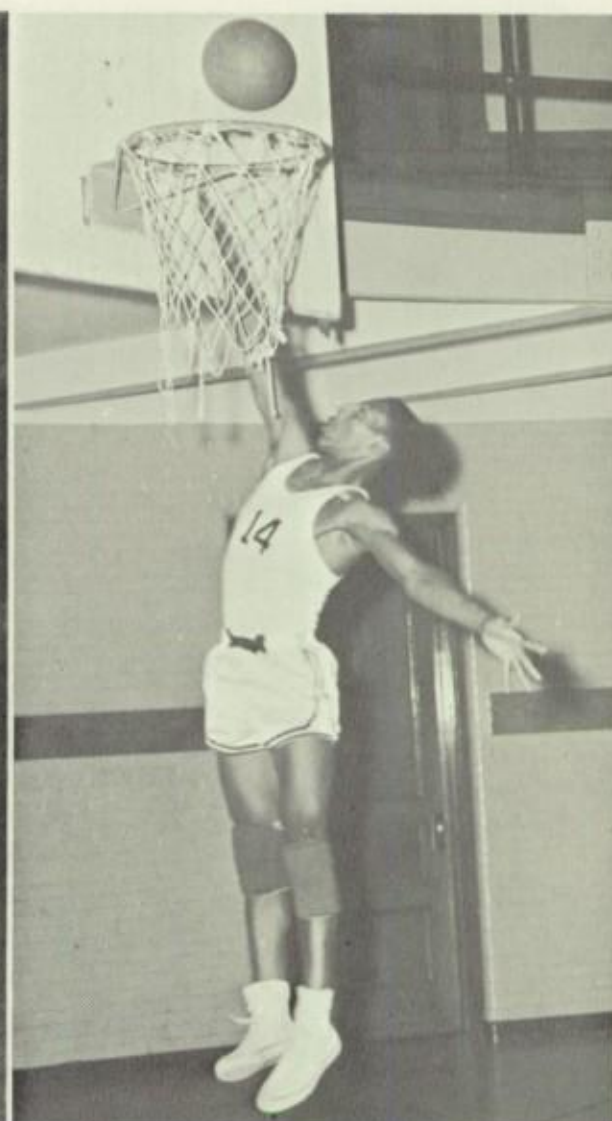




ALONZO BARNES
All High



DON KING
All High



GEORGE HEMPHILL
All High

D. King and A. Barnes jump for the ball. G. Hemphill is hidden.

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

January	6	*Lafayette	67	Riverside	39
January	10	Lafayette	77	South Park	45
January	13	*Lafayette	63	Seneca	53
January	17	*Lafayette	69	Burgard	37
February	3	Lafayette	63	Kensington	45
February	7	**Lafayette	66	McKinley	40
February	10	Lafayette	53	Grover Cleveland	44
February	14	*Lafayette	70	East	60
February	17	Lafayette	63	Bennett	58
February	21	Lafayette	84	Emerson	71
February	24	*Lafayette	69	Hutchinson-Technical	31

*Indicates the games played at home

**Indicates the games played at School 42





ROW ONE: Mr. Woods, D. Hovert receiving letter from Mr. Axlerod, P. Gerace, J. Bongi (manager), G. Gonzalez
ROW TWO: J. DiPaoli, P. Garretson, P. Caito, P. Dolan, E. Hile, P. Hammond

CROSS COUNTRY

P. Caito in action and receiving Mr. Axlerod's congratulations.



Over the Hill and around the Lake

PAUL CAITO finished 21 in the all high cross country race, October 18. He ran the 2.9 miles beginning at the statue of the young Lincoln near the rose gardens, twice around the lake to the finish at the hidden diamonds in 16 minutes and 15 seconds.

Lafayette finished tenth in the all high race. To have a winning team, five boys must finish near the top. Paul was followed by Pat Dolan 35, Paul Garretson 59, Tom Gamble 74, Phil Hammond 80, Julius DiPaolo, Gabriel Gonzalez. Joseph Bongi was the manager. 96 boys competed in the race. Mr. Axlerod was there to congratulate the boys.

In the triangular races each school may enter fifteen boys. Paul Caito led Lafayette's group, placing 6, 5, and 2 in the three races.

September 27	Seneca 15, Burgard 53, Lafayette 80
October 4	McKinley 25, East 37, Lafayette 99
October 11	Riverside 33, South Park 42, Lafayette 61

Develops Teamwork, Leadership, Character

"YOU could tell they had a good time by the way they yelled and squealed," Mr. Axlerod commented about the Riverside-Lafayette play day, December 7. Certainly the girls squealed when, in shuffleboard, a teammate landed in the ten off zone or when a volleyball player knocked the ball out of bounds, giving her opponents a point. Squealing continued as girls leaped into the pool. Instead of Riverside's playing against Lafayette, the girls played friendly non-competitive games. After these strenuous activities, the girls ended the day with refreshments in the cafeteria.

Two other sports days came later in the year. Lafayette girls went to Bennett March 29. Riverside played hostess for Bennett, Grover, and Lafayette girls June 6.

Participating in girls' athletics is fun. This fun is rewarding too. The girls receive felt "L's" for their achievements. A freshman looks forward to playing on the Violet or White volleyball team and receiving her 150 point "L;" a sophomore, to playing baseball and receiving her 300 point "L;" a junior to playing basketball and receiving her 400 point "L." A senior has many things to anticipate. She may help out with volleyball and join in playing baseball and basketball. Receiving her 500 point gold "L" is an experience in

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400 POINT "L"

ROW ONE: J. Bandinelli, B. DeMarco, J. Devine, L. LeDonne
ROW TWO: M. Vigneri, F. Noble



500 POINT "L"

ROW ONE: S. Churchill, J. Gugino
ROW TWO: C. Holden, F. Novaro
ROW THREE: G. Muscarella, F. Aquilina
ROW FOUR: B. Hull, G. Vella
ROW FIVE: L. Balsdon, V. Seaborn, J. Zappia



WHITE VOLLEYBALL TEAM

ROW ONE: P. Pietrzak (captain), B. Symonds, J. Ivey, F. Miller, C. Curro

ROW TWO: S. Book, N. Hayes, J. DeSordo, C. Munn

ROW THREE: L. Jones, C. Vastola

ROW FOUR: B. Reed, B. Allhouse

ROW FIVE: S. Hammond, J. Aquilina

ROW SIX: Y. Block, P. Moran

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itself. The main hope of a senior girl is to win the Alice Quirk award, presented to the 500 point "L" winner who is especially admired for sportsmanship, leadership, and good character. This award is given in memory of a former physical education teacher at Lafayette.

Volleyball is an especially popular sport. During the 1955-56 season 100 girls played and 85 earned points. The season began when the girls were divided into eight groups, roughly according to homerooms, for the round robin competition. Grace Muscarella's Muskies won first place. J. Aquilina, L. Jones, L. Leone, M. Margarucci, P. Magavero, S. McDowell, M. Mc Laughlin, F. Miller, P. Moran, J. Prather formed the team. Second place was won by Barbara Novaro's Peanuts, composed of C. Munn, P. Pietrzak, B. Reed, C. Rieman, G. Schultz, B. Symonds, L. Torrico, R. Tripi, C. Vastola, C. Voas, S. Wacker, J. Zaranski.

21-0 Yea Team!

150 POINT "L"

STANDING: W. L. Davis

ROW ONE: J. M. Hanner, C. Todoro, P. Magavero, P. Sharrer, A. La Paglia, G. Clark

ROW TWO: N. Kellam, B. Rubino, C. Rieman, R. Tripi, L. Lovocchio



At one big game members of the Violet and White teams were chosen. The Violet team won 2 to 1. The freshmen who represented Lafayette at the sports' day were selected by a committee of seniors.

During the second semester the freshmen played basketball.

Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Marquis, and Miss Riegel directed all the athletic activities.

In city wide competition a Lafayette girl proved her basket throwing ability. She is Claudia Di Salvo, who placed third in the final basket shooting contest at the 174th Armory on January 28. She made twelve out of a possible fifteen points. Each contestant was required to shoot from a number of places on the court: five foul shots, two from right corner, two from left corner, four from center of the side lines and two from exact center of the court. This contest is an annual affair.

Love-15 Rah! Rah! Rah!

300 POINT "L"

M. Zuffoletto, M. Moten, P. Lord, J. Jones, M. J. Popielarski, S. Watson, M. Ellithorpe, D. Dixon, J. Hopper, J. Maiorca, S. Fetes, C. Mellott



VIOLET VOLLEYBALL TEAM

ROW ONE: J. Prather (captain), C. Smolinski, M. Quattrini, M. McLaughlin

ROW TWO: S. Knight, L. Fliss, L. Leone, M. Margarucci

ROW THREE: S. McDowell, B. Murphy

ROW FOUR: R. Short, D. Hunter

ROW FIVE: J. Novoa, K. Havas

ROW SIX: J. Prather, I. Kozevskis



MR. AXLEROD is pleased to have the students and teachers step through his office door, opened in welcome, to discuss the opportunities Lafayette High School provides.

